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TENSION IN JAPAN MOUNTING

Railway Chief Missing After Workers' Threat MASS DISMISSALS BEGIN

Tokyo, July 5.

A nationwide search was launched today for the president of Japan's National Railway Corporation who disappeared mysteriously after being threatened by Communist dominated workers who were discharged yesterday.

Military Equipment For Colony

The ss. Frederick Glover arrived here yesterday from Singapore with 1,847 tons of military equipment for the local land, sea and air forces.

The military supplies included several motor cycles, one aircraft, a few motor launchers, a number of field guns and ammunition.

Travelling with the armaments and ammunition were five servicemen.

Operating under the supervision of the Royal Army Service Corps, the 2,333-ton steamer had also seven tons of flame thrower fuel aboard.

She had to anchor in the Dangerous Goods Anchorage because of the cargo she carried.

In command of the Frederick Glover is Mr. H. H. Jones.

The ship's crew comprise British officers and Egyptian crew.

Financial Talks In London

London, July 5. Britain, Canada and the United States will hold financial talks in London from July 8 as a preliminary to the Commonwealth Finance Ministers conference due to open here at the end of the following week.

Canada will be represented at these talks by her Finance Minister, Mr. Douglas Munn, who is expected in London on July 7. It was stated at Canada House today.

Canada, occupying the key position among Commonwealth powers in relation to the dollar area, is regarded as the most important single factor in any Commonwealth attempt to alleviate the crisis caused by Britain's dwindling dollar resources.

Mr. John Snyder, Secretary of the United States Treasury, will represent the United States at the coming Anglo-Canadian-American talks.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was today informing the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and his other principal ministerial colleagues of the scope of his statement to Parliament tomorrow on the currency problems confronting Britain and the Sterling area.

Financial experts here today were predicting that the Chancellor's statement might disclose that gold and dollar reserves have dropped to £281,000,000. It has been the aim to keep the figure at £500,000,000 during the period of Marshall aid.—Reuter.

THE WEATHER

At 0600 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the depression, which has deepened, is now centred over Kyushu and is moving eastward. From it a trough extends westward to a low pressure area over W. China. A ridge of high pressure extends from the Pacific anti-cyclone to the Northern part of the China Sea. Pressure is relatively low over Mindanao.

Today's Forecast: Moderate S to SW winds. Fair or fine.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 80.7 deg. F. Minimum 61.2 deg. F. Sunshine 12.7 hours.

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Sanidanori Shimoyama disappeared while en route to his office today as the Communist led railway union stepped up its offensive against the planned dismissal of 95,000 railway workers, 30,000 of whom were notified yesterday that their services were no longer required.

Occupation and Japanese police officials feared that the railways boss was the victim of a kidnapping or extremist violence.

Shimoyama has been unaccounted for since he left his home at 8.15 a.m. today Tokyo time in an automobile for his office. The Corporation announced this afternoon that he was "missing."

The Japanese police later discovered Shimoyama's automobile in the Tokyo business district but the police said the driver gave an "incorrect" answer regarding the whereabouts of Shimoyama. The police said the driver told them Shimoyama entered the bank but did not return.

His wife told the United Press: "I am worried for his safety because of the present unrest."

The "present unrest" is caused by workers' opposition to General MacArthur's ordered economy programme.

Shimoyama has been a target of bitter criticism by workers who accuse him of being responsible for their dismissal.

Japan's 590,000 railway workers continued to deliberate today against the new mass dismissals but had not yet agreed on concerted action.

Some units decided on mass resignations, if necessary, while others voted to strike in sympathy with those sacked.

Japanese Communists and Red indoctrinated rump forces from the Soviet Union staged new disorders yesterday, reports Associated Press.

The latest disturbances, at Kato 300 miles West of Tokyo, coincided with the government's unpopular drive to balance the budget by sacking 140,000 employees, mostly on the government owned railways.

The Communists appeared determined to entice the occupation

Attack On Czech Church Leaders

Prague, July 5. Premier Antonin Zapadsky charged today that Czech Catholic Church leaders were out to betray the country and warned that the government would "resist subversive activity."

Mr. Zapadsky continued the running attack by the Communist regime on churchmen loyal to Archbishop Josef Beran in a speech at a rally at the Danube town of Devin, near Bratislava.

Another speaker, Mr. Laco Novotny, a Slovak school trustee, charged that high church functionaries "held hands with Germany" during the war.

He said: "We did not use this information at the time of our victory, but we shall warn them that our patriotism must not be envied."—United Press.

FOURTH OF JULY CASUALTIES

New York, July 5. The number of Americans killed in accidents over the Fourth of July holiday week-end rose to 639, the highest total ever recorded. The previous record was 620 in 1941.

The greatest number of victims died in traffic accidents, while drownings claimed the second highest total.

New York, swelling in a heat-wave, was struck by a savage gale, which killed at least four people, did considerable damage to property and capsized hundreds of pleasure boats around the coast.—Reuter.

Resumption Of HK-S'hai Air Service Urged

Shanghai, July 5. Resumption of air service between Hong Kong and Shanghai as soon as possible for airlifting supplies during the suspension of shipping was among the suggestions submitted today by the Importers and Exporters Guild to the authorities.

Many former Shanghai industrialists are said to be planning to return here from Hong Kong.—Reuter.

As much embarrassment as possible in the next few months.

While occupation authorities and government officials did not anticipate that the Reds would be able to do more than stir up anti-American sentiments for the time being, it was clear that they were making hay busily in very bright sunshine.

Nevertheless, General Douglas MacArthur's statement of Sunday suggesting that Communism might well be outlawed, caused concern among some of his advisers, informed sources said.

They feared that such a step would merely drive the Reds underground and gain them sympathy among the Japanese masses.

Some of his advisers, however, were said to favour outlawing the party as the only means of preserving order during the coming months of the big government retrenchment.

Defy Order

The Kyoto trouble began when a crowd of 4,000, including about 1,700 prisoners of war newly repatriated from Siberia, defied a police order against holding a rally on government property.

Meanwhile, Japanese prosecutors announced that a settlement would be pressed against leaders of a Communist mob which seized and held the police station at Taira for eight hours last Thursday. Taira is 100 miles North East of Tokyo. Sixteen riot leaders are under arrest and 35 more are being sought.

Communists are stirring things up, with the apparent hope of eventually inheriting political power by heightening sentiment against the conservative government of Premier Shigeru Yoshida.

Uneasy Quiet

An uneasy quiet prevailed along Japan's troubled labour front today as the Government began handing out discharge notices to some 30,000 of its railway workers.

In many places workers refused to accept their "pink slips" and stayed on the job. In such cases, the Government deposited their salaries in banks and listed their names for publication in the official gazette as discharged.

Such publication will make the discharged workers liable to prosecution as trespassers if they remain on Government-owned property.

SCAP sources said that workers in some places—mostly in Northern Honshu—had demonstrated today against the discharge plan. This plan is part of a United States programme directed to the Japanese with the aim of reducing governmental expenditures.

The sources said, however, demonstrations consisted mainly of "noise and action" by rail workers who have threatened to use force if the discharge plan were already being hedged against such a possibility.

Mr. Attlee Is Not Amused



Stresses Political Implications Of Ports Closure

Canton, July 5.

A warning that broader questions than that of legality is involved in the Nationalist Government's recent order closing Communist held ports in China was issued today by the Acting Foreign Minister, Mr. George Yeh.

"The democracies must now choose between inadvertently helping the success of totalitarianism in China and supporting the forces that are struggling to preserve a democratic way of life," Mr. Yeh told the United Press.

"While legal views are being exchanged between the governments concerned and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs over the closure order, I hope that the peoples of the Western democracies will not lose sight of the wider political issues involved," he said.

"The question is more than one of freedom of the seas, or of China's sovereign rights over her territorial waters. The vital issue is whether in the next few months the Western democracies will watch with indifference an iron curtain fall on the Asiatic mainland to black out this time the life of one-fourth of the world's population."

Heretofore, all statements made on the port closure order were on the legality of the measures and Mr. Yeh's were the first which have brought out their political implications.

"This is perhaps another crucial moment in history which calls for vision and statesmanship," Mr. Yeh said.

Premier's Statement

Premier Yen Hsi-shan reiterated today that the Communist ports are not open to foreign ships and aircraft, reports Associated Press.

The Premier told a weekly memorial meeting yesterday that the closure order has been effective since June 18.

The ports are Shanghai, Tientsin, Chingwangtao, Ningpo and Wenow, Premier Yen repeated. "We can open or close any port under treaty stipulations," Premier Yen said. "Such terms are clearly provided in the treaties. We can close any port as an exercise of sovereign rights."

The Premier said any friendly powers against Communism and the overrun of Asia by Communists will support his measure and will not let their ships proceed to Communist ports.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Western Pacific Fleet pulled out of Manila Bay today. It was expected the cruiser St. Paul, at least, would go to Hong Kong.

Vice-Admiral Oscar C. Badger, who has made China ports his headquarters, has declined comment on the Chinese Nationalist blockade of Chinese Communist ports.

The U.S. State Department has refused to recognize the Nationalist action.

Admiral Badger's fleet units visited Manila to participate in July Fourth celebrations jointly observing Philippine and American independence.

Brind In Tokyo

Admiral Sir Patrick Brind, commander-in-chief of the British Far Eastern station, arrived in Tokyo Bay today aboard the frigate Alert, reports Reuter.

Admiral Brind is staying in Tokyo for a few days. He is to lunch with General Douglas MacArthur on July 6.

The cruiser Jamaica, destroyer Greenock, and the frigate Hart are also in Japanese waters, being reported at present in Sasebo.—United Press, Associated Press and Reuter.

Situation Quiet In Changsha

Canton, July 5.

Interior Minister Li Han-hun who just completed an inspection trip to Changsha, said today the city was calm and well garrisoned but suffered much from surrounding floods.

He told the Associated Press that he flew to Changsha to inspect the organization and mobilization of the masses and co-ordination with the Army for defence.

Mr. Li said General Pail Chung-hsi, Commander-in-Chief of Central China, had the situation well in hand.

"The Communists do not appear to be preparing for an offensive," Minister Li stated. "They are further harassed by the floods."

Minister Li returned to Canton with General Li Pin-hsien, Director of Kwangsi Pacification Headquarters, who visited Canton for the first time in 20 years.

Communist troops captured Shunyang in South Eastern Shanai and cleared that area of Nationalist troops on June 27. This announcement was made this morning by the Communist radio in Peking, which did not report any fighting in any other area.

Soak The Rich

A committee has been set up by Marshal Yen Hsi-shan's Cabinet to collect contributions to the war fund from the Chinese rich, adds Reuter.

The Committee held its first meeting today, presided over by the Prime Minister, and attended by the Finance Minister, Mr. Hsu Hsiang-shan, the Interior Minister, Mr. George Yeh, and the Overseas Minister, Mr. Tai Kwei-sen.

It is learned that the committee is adopting a mild policy to urge the wealthy Chinese, both abroad and in the country, to contribute towards the fund voluntarily, instead of by compulsory measures, as was earlier decided by the Legislative Yuan.—Associated Press and Reuter.

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REDS SUSPEND REMITTANCES TO SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 5.

Remittances of money from abroad into Shanghai was halted today by the official Communist Central Bank of China.

No reason was given for the action which aggravated the already troublesome money situation here. The action means that any organization which finances itself by transferring money from another country into Shanghai, now has no source of funds.

These transfers have been used for such essentials as wages, rents and operating costs. Shanghai is full of companies whose local incomes have declined so sharply they cannot meet their overhead except by bringing in money.

First effect of the order was to inject more unrest into the Shanghai labour situation. Several disputes which had been settled or near settlement were stalled again because companies cannot bring in money for wages.

Another effect was to increase the free market exchange rate. It was reported this afternoon one dollar U.S. would bring about 2,000 Communist compared to the official rate of 1,600.

Speculation was that probably the Red order was due to the suspension of shipping in and out of Shanghai.

With no commerce coming in from other countries, money acquired by China abroad in such transfers cannot be used to pay for imports. As a consequence it piles up while in Shanghai Communist dollars must be issued against it.

In short, the Government has to cash a lot of cheques it cannot use and the Communists may run out of cash. They may have to resort to the printing press which would start the inflation spiral again.

There were a huge number of remittance applications on file when the order became effective. There was no indication of how long the stoppage would last or whether any exceptions would be made.

Secret Bases

Nationalists may be mounting their almost daily air raids on the Communist-held China coast from secret bases in the Chusan Islands about 100 miles South East of Shanghai.

This was the opinion today of well-informed military sources. They suggested these islands are being used as forward bases for fighters and bombers whose home fields are on the big island of Formosa.

These sources pointed out: Chusan strikes would give the raiders more time over Shanghai and other coastal ports than would the long haul of some 400 miles from Formosa.

Strikes at the Communist interior would be possible from Chusan fields.

Planes from the little island jutting North East from Chekiang Province could range with comparative ease North to Tientsin

Recent changes have occurred in Chusan since we last celebrated the Fourth of July. One thing I am convinced has not changed and will not change and that is the friendship which long existed between the American and Chinese peoples. Americans will sincerely welcome any changes which serve the interests and fulfill the aspirations of the Chinese people.

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I. NEWTON, Director of Medical Services.

July 4, 1949.

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Presentation Of Letters Patent To King's Counsel

The Full Court, comprising the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, the senior Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Williams, and the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Scholes, sat yesterday morning, for the presentation of letters patent to Hong Kong's latest King's Counsel, Mr. Charles Edgar Loseby.

Members of the Legal Department, the Bar, and the Law Society, were also present in large numbers.

After the Registrar of the Supreme Court had read the letters patent, the Chief Justice, addressing Mr. Loseby, said it gave him very great pleasure to welcome Mr. Loseby as one of His Majesty's Counsellors for this Colony. It was a worthy recognition of Mr. Loseby's long association with the law, and before that his father and his grandfather.

Mr. Loseby himself, said Sir Leslie, was called to the Bar as a student of Gray's Inn some 35 years ago. His practice was interrupted by the outbreak of the first world war during which he served in France with the 1st and 2nd Lancashire Fusiliers. In 1917 he commanded the 1st Battalion. He also served on the staff of the 88th Brigade Wounded twice while on active service Mr. Loseby was decorated with the Military Cross.

The end of the war found Mr. Loseby resuming his practice in the Midland Circuit until he came to Hong Kong in 1945, where he has been practising as an advocate since.

Outside Work Referring to Mr. Loseby's work outside his practice, Sir Leslie said he undertook the editorship of the Hong Kong Law Reports. The reports from the re-occupation up to the end of 1947 have gone to the printers, and that for 1948 would soon be ready.

Another way Mr. Loseby was helping the law was to act as President of the Rent Tribunal to clear up the very much in arrears. Mr. Loseby and Mr. Lattimer, the two full-time Presidents had done much to restore the work almost to normal.

"When you came to Hong Kong you brought to this Colony a very great legal experience, and I think you brought also something else of great value, particularly to the junior members of the profession. You brought a knowledge of those rules of professional conduct which are traditional in our profession and make it a profession at once respected and valued," concluded Sir Leslie.

Legal Department Mr. G. E. Strickland, the Solicitor General, after expressing the Attorney General's regret for his absence, said the Legal Department associated itself with the tribute paid by the Bench to Mr. Loseby.

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After Mr. Hasely led the diamond 3 for Mr. Hart to ruff, they criss-crossed that suit and spades so that Mr. Murray won tricks only with the heart A and J. He was down six tricks, giving his opponents 600 points. They enjoyed the old horse laugh until they saw the traveling score. All ready to enter their nice top score, they noted that the other East-West pair had recorded 650 for making five hearts plus an overtrick.

Even when the opponents smelt out a psychic like that, it isn't always easy to know just what to do. Would you have passed the 2-Heart if you had been in the East? If not, what would you have done? And what ensuing bidding would have steered your side into the heart game? There are several ways to go about it, of course, but they require a certain amount of adroitness.

Tomorrow's Problem

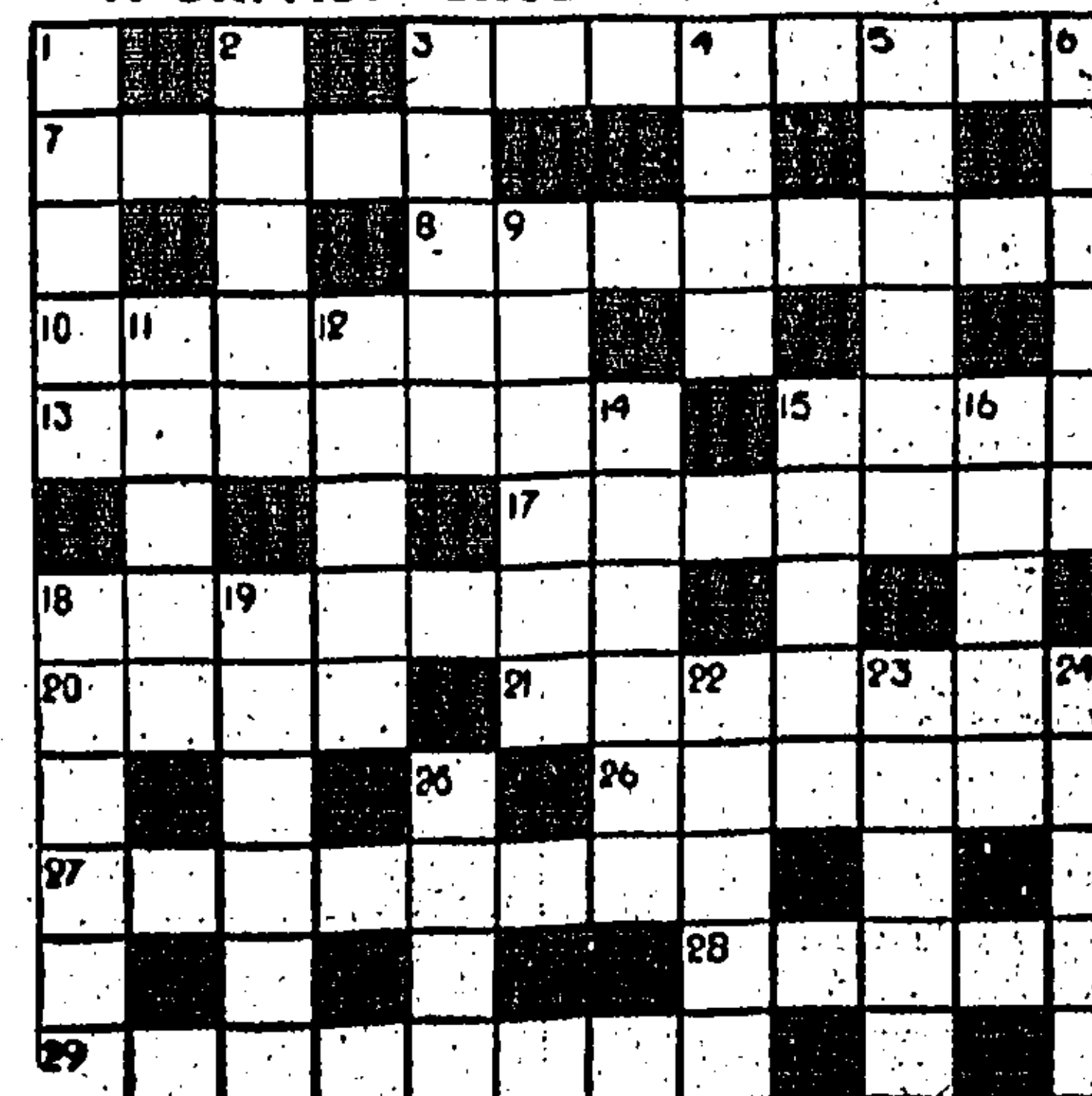
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8 Ward.
9 Mad.
11 Spelling dog.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Decent, 5 Small, 8 Into, 9 Menace, 10 Rayon, 11 Esau, 12 List, 13 Elder, 14 Settee, 15 Elude, 20 Harrow, 22 Zero, 23 Smear, 25 Mares, 26 Needle, 27 Ours, 28 Parity, 29 Skirts.

DOWN—1 Demolish, 2 Conster, 3 Nice, 4 Treated, 5 Streets, 6 Meille, 7 Loose, 8 Defender, 9 Recover, 10 Summary, 17 Tents, 18 Lesson, 21 Abate, 24 Reek.

HEAT WAVE CONTINUES IN EUROPE AND AMERICA

THREATS TO CZECH CHURCH

Prague, July 4. The Communist Minister of Education, Professor Zdenek Nejedlik, today set a time limit for the "final defeat" of the Church hierarchy in his country.

Speaking at a Saints' Day pilgrimage at Susava, near Prague, he said that "reaction" has again put out its neck but it is still afraid and is hiding in the Church.

"The reaction lost last year in February. It will lose this year in July." (On February 25, 1948, a new Czech Government under Prime Minister Klement Gottwald, in which half the Ministers were Communists and most of the rest Social Democrats, was set up).

Clerical sources here are linking similar repeated hints in Government circles, with private reports, which they say, make them fear that the arrest of the Archbishop of Prague, Dr. Josef Beran, is imminent.

Mr. Nejedlik said yesterday that if the Bishops "continued running an illegal machine for subversive work" they would come to the same end as the "February enemies".

Church sources expect the campaign against the bishops, but concentrated on Dr. Beran, would be intensified at meetings to be held tomorrow honouring St. Cyril and Methodius.

They claim to have information that Communist members of the Government-sponsored Catholic Action are being mobilised for a demonstration in favour of Dr. Beran's arrest.

This demonstration is expected to take place at Velichard in Oravica, they said.—Reuter.

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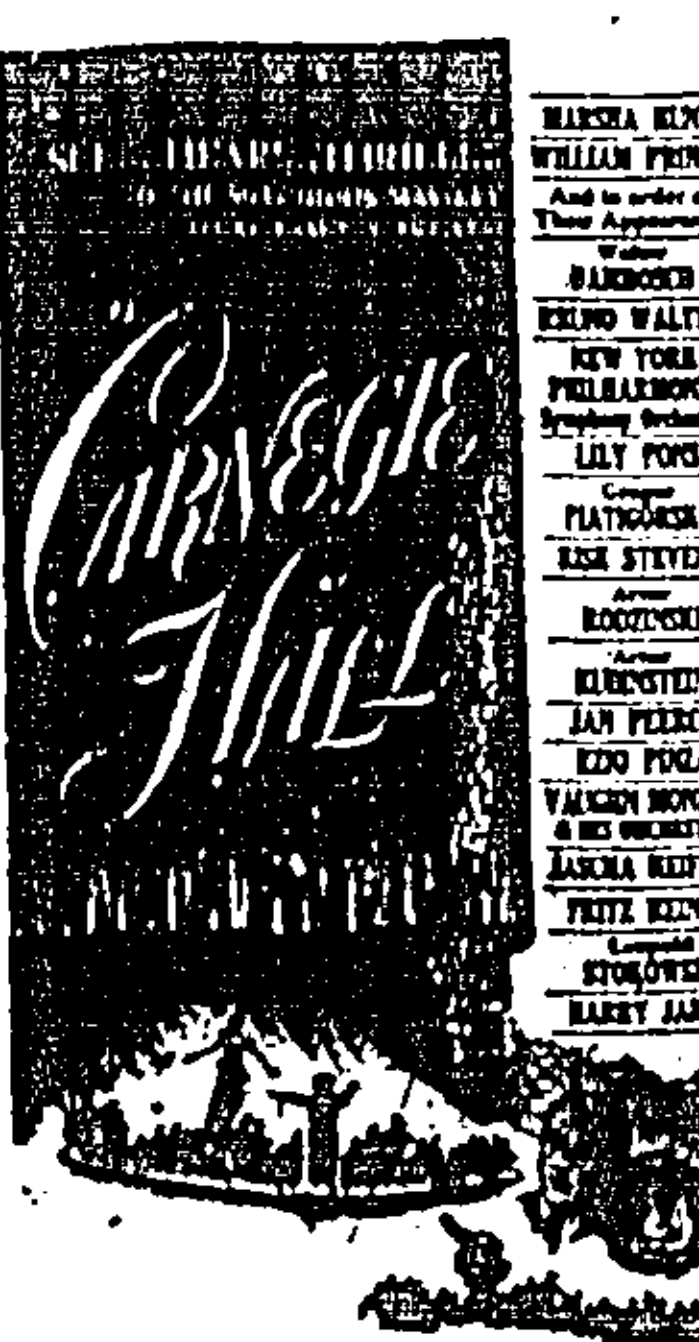
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London, July 4. The British are now giving up their blood for dollars.

F. Grimith Woolard, Member of the London County Council, reported today.

Mr. Woolard, who recently returned from a trip to America, said that he found American visitors there are selling their blood to help pay travelling expenses. They are receiving \$25 a pint.

"That doesn't go very far but it's a help," Mr. Woolard told fellow members of the Dulwich Rotary Club.

He said that he managed to get home with his own blood intact. — Associated Press.

RUSSIANS DON'T WANT WAR

Washington, July 4. Mr. John Foster Dulles, Republican foreign policy expert, is convinced that the Russians do not want war unless it is forced upon them.

Mr. Dulles believes the Russians were easier to get along with in Paris because they realised that their "weapon of fear" in Europe is about played out.

"They will accept war if they think we are forcing it on them, but in my opinion Soviet policy prefers not to rely upon war as a means of achieving its ends. I think the reason why they displayed the desire which they did at Paris to resume four-power talks at almost every level is that they think that gives them a certain assurance against war."

He conceded that he could be wrong and that generals who favour war with the Western democracies could win control of the Kremlin. However, today he said, Russian leaders are depending on "subversive war" and "infiltration" to win other nations to their side.

Mr. Dulles said the Communists are "tapping into the veins of trouble" of the world in the satellite states but that they are still counting on a depression to destroy the influence of the Western Allies.

"I don't think they are nearly as cocky as they were, at least in Europe, but I still think they believe capitalism is going to disintegrate in the long run." — United Press.

Canton, July 5. An eye-witness account of conditions in the guerilla-infested areas of the Canton delta was given today by a foreigner who has just made a journey through some of South China's lesser-known waterways.

Mr. M. J. P. Keating, of St. John's Wood, London, who visited the Kongmoon area on private business, was under fire from bandits three times in 24 hours.

He started his journey in a Mississippi-style towboat, which was fired upon six hours out of Canton. The passengers were ordered into the hold as approximately 50 bullets struck the vessel's upper structure.

Owners of Chinese towboats pay large sums of "squeeze" to the bandits, but in recent weeks these have proved useless and the ships' captains now prefer to fight their way through the dangerous areas. One small craft was forced to pay "squeeze" at 12 different places in a journey between Hong Kong and Kongmoon.

For the next part of his journey Mr. Keating travelled on the Chinese-owned ship, Kwong Fook Cheung, which flew the Red Ensign and carried captain and chief officer. She still carried the scars of the previous night's battle when bandits pumped 200 machine-gun bullets into her hull, nearly killing an elderly Catholic priest.

Delta Smugglers. The third stage of Mr. Keating's journey was made on a Chinese gunboat which opened fire on a band of pirates. As the gunboat fired some two to three hundred shells, Mr. Keating watched the pirates—former wartime guerillas—break up in disorder.

Through binoculars he saw them quite clearly, and described them as being dressed as ordinary Chinese with belts of ammunition around their waists. Most of them were carrying rifles, and some had heavier weapons.

He said small-scale smuggling is being carried out quite blatantly in the delta area, but stressed that in spite of lawlessness in the interior, Chinese administration at the bigger towns such as Kongmoon, Shekki and other parts of the Chungshan district is good.

"I go the impression that the Chinese Police and officials were doing their utmost to keep law and order. They were most helpful to me in my business," Mr. Keating said.—Reuter.

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NEWS BLACKOUT

Last night, after this editorial was written, some news agency messages from Shanghai reached Hong Kong, although not directly. The following comments should therefore be read with this in view, although we do not regard our conclusions as having been falsified. Up to a late hour there has not been even a semblance of the former news coverage from this large city, no mention has been made of the renewed air raids which were expected, and it would seem that messages have been censored in one way or another. The news is not of the quality to which we have been accustomed from experienced, accredited correspondents.

The sudden cessation of news from Press correspondents in Shanghai has not been explained up to the time of writing, but it is reasonable to suppose that the curtain has at last fallen on the free broadcasting of facts from the world's fourth largest city.

Whether this will be permanent or not remains to be seen. It is possible that the new authorities wish to show foreigners that they "will stand no nonsense," and, if the outside shows they have learned the required lesson, they may be permitted to resume operations in due course. This seems a likely conclusion, but it is also possible that the ban has come down as completely on Shanghai as it has on Peiping and Tientsin.

That something serious has interfered with newspapermen's rights to send out information is obvious. Cable and Wireless in Hong Kong are still in two-way communication with Shanghai, and the telephone system is in normal order. If the reduced-rate morsecast service had been discontinued because of damage to the radio station—although there has been no indication that its transmission capabilities have been affected by Nationalist bombing—correspondents would immediately have used any other means of communication available.

If the cost had been prohibitively high, they would still have sent condensed news items, and at least informed their offices in the Colony and elsewhere of the situation. As it is, for more than a day there has been not a word from any of them, as far as can be ascertained.

There would appear to be two alternatives: that foreign Pressmen have been physically prevented from carrying out their duties, which is unlikely, or that they have been warned that pre-emptive they are to send no messages. This is more probable. Unless all correspondents were gagged, they could easily have sent some information to their offices, even if this were in cryptic form and filed by an intermediary. If they have not done so and are still at liberty, the only explanation would seem to be that they have been told that such action would mean their immediate expulsion and perhaps the permanent banning of their organization.

The most likely reason for the news blackout is the coverage of Nationalist bombing of the Yangtze metropolis, particularly the radio station. This idea may claim that this is giving vital information to the



PART IV: ROAD TO CALVARY

THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Martyrdom Not In Vain

BY THE VERY REV.
DR. NICHOLAS BOER

Act I of 1946 declares that Hungary is a republic. That does not, however, mean that by the passing of that Act any movement aiming at a change in the Republican form of government has become illegal in Hungary.

The Act is an ordinary Act of Parliament which can be repealed or amended by any subsequent Act of Parliament. This means, of course, that it can be repealed if the will of the Hungarian people is in favour of repealing it. As a matter of constitutional law, any member of the Hungarian Parliament is perfectly free to introduce at any time a bill for the repeal of Act I of the year 1946. A fortiori a repeal of the Act can be legitimately included in the programme of any political party.

The preamble to the Act which declares Hungary to be a Republic expressly states that the Republic guarantees to its citizens the natural and inalienable rights of the human being, and especially the right of free expression of thought and opinion and the right of association and public meeting.

Furthermore, Article 2 of the peace treaty which came into force on September 12, 1947, and which is also part of the law of Hungary, says:

"Hungary shall take all measures necessary to secure to all persons under Hungarian jurisdiction... the enjoyment of Human Rights and of the fundamental freedoms including freedom of expression... of political opinion and of public meeting." The fact that a movement or organization for the furtherance of a change in the Republican form of government is automatically illegal is quite incompatible with the peace treaty and also with the law of Hungary. Some seditious, violent or unconstitutional aim must be proved.

The legal position was apparently not recognized either by the prosecution or by the court at the Mindszenty trial. The prosecution, it is true, made a great show of proving a seditious attempt to overthrow the Republic by inciting America to war, and the court held this proved. But from the judgment one gets the impression that they did not consider that it mattered in law whether it was proved or not. And, as I have shown, it was not in fact properly proved from a legal point of view.

If the prosecution had really proved the Cardinal Mindszenty and his friends had tried to incite foreign powers to war against Hungary, the case would indeed have been quite different, because such incitement might well be said to have aimed at the unconstitutional overthrow of the Republic, and moreover to have been aimed at it in a violent manner.

It seems that this right under Hungarian law to form a movement for a change in the constitution by constitutional means, this right to form a political opposition, only exists theoretically. The Mindszenty trial demonstrated its futility in practice.

Mindszenty's theoretically lawful opposition to the Government's policy brought down on his head the force of a trial which was a clear proof to any other person who may wish to form an opposition party, that seditious motives and seditious actions will be imputed to him on purely imaginary grounds, and that he will be eliminated as a focus of reaction.

The right to form a political opposition, which, as I have said, is guaranteed by the law of Hungary, including the peace treaty, is altogether a meaningless right unless it is guaranteed and enforced by truly independent and fearless judiciary.

Minority views are not protected they will be stamped out by the majority. Thus democracy becomes tyranny. The essence of true democracy is the protection of minorities and their views.

The trial of Cardinal Mindszenty was a denial of the fundamental principle of democracy, because it shows that in Hungary today justice is a sham and the judiciary is not independent.

As I have pointed out, the same thing occurred in Nazi Germany, where the courts were incorporated into the Nazi Party scheme for removing democratic opposition, in particular, of course, for removing Communist opposition. This is clearly the prevailing philosophy in Hungarian Government circles today, as is shown by the second paragraph of the official speech of the People's Republic of Hungary.

"The interest of the Hungarian people of the Hungarian working class society, was prompted by the desire that the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic may remove all these obstacles which render the reconstruction of our country difficult."

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Another small example which seems very extraordinary to a lawyer in a truly democratic country can be seen in the judgment in the Mindszenty trial in the case of the defendant, Dr. Laszlo Toth.

In enumerating the reasons, aggravating circumstances according to the procedure of the court, the judge included the following circumstances:

A Favour!
"The fact that, as a well-known Right Wing journalist of the past regime and former editor of *Newsday*, he was acquitted by the People's Court, and yet he turned against the democratic State order."

Here again, we see clearly demonstrated the philosophy of totalitarianism. The fact that Dr. Toth was acquitted by the People's Court is represented by the

judge as a sort of favour for which he ought to have been grateful. One would have thought that if the People's Court operated upon ordinary principles of justice, Dr. Toth had previously been acquitted because he was not guilty. A free judiciary does not dispense justice as a favour but as a right.

The charge against Cardinal Mindszenty of "Disloyalty" by giving away secrets to persons not entitled to receive them is an excellent illustration of what happens if citizens are denied their right to form a political opposition.

This charge could never have arisen upon such facts as were alleged against Cardinal Mindszenty in a truly democratic state, it could not have arisen in Hungary if the rights of free speech and free expression of opinion guaranteed by the law of Hungary had really been allowed to be enforced.

The information which the Cardinal was accused of giving away was information which he collected through the clergy on the Hungarian political and economic situation and the democratic parties. This is precisely the sort of information which it is the recognised right of any political opposition to collect.

In a free country is regularly made public in Parliament and in the Press. Such information (even though it may be severely critical of the Government) can in England, for example, be freely collected and discussed and can be disseminated for use both at home and abroad.

The prevailing philosophy in Hungary is evidently that no one must disseminate information or express views which are adversely critical of the Government. This philosophy is illustrated by some of the questions put to Cardinal Mindszenty by the prosecuting judge. Asking the Cardinal what information he thought could properly be given away, the judge said, "Information which praises the results, the achievements here; such material should be passed on in order to enable these Americans to see the fruit of the Hungarian people's efforts." And then, dealing with the data which the Cardinal communicated to Minister Chapin, the judge said, "I would be interested to know whether they were positive data. If one meets foreigners one prefers to show proudly one's country's achievements, cultural, scientific and economic and political results." Did you too show such results? Mindszenty replied, "Rather negative ones." To which the judge answered, "Rather negative results? What was the aim of those negative results? Please state it. To influence the American Government to adopt a hostile attitude against the present regime? Is that not so?"

It is quite plain what was in the judge's mind, and, of course, any supporter of the Hungarian Government would sympathise with it. The judge thought it wrong for the Cardinal to mention anything but the positive achievements of the Republic. This may or may not be a practical or a desirable view to take, but it is certainly not democratic, and it is certainly not in keeping with the freedom of expression of opinion guaranteed by the law of Hungary.

When one sees the judiciary failing to hold the scales of justice



Parasps
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What matter if in years gone by Someone ordained such must not be... The piled up profits of today Mean more than any C. of G.I.

Nutty Problem
I have been having a little trouble with my correspondent in Canton, who has been eagerly anticipating the arrival of a certain high Nationalist personage in that city, whom we refer to only by the codeword of "peanut."

Rumour has followed rumour until I was most distressed, the day before yesterday, to receive a pathetic letter from the harassed gentleman's Chinese assistant scribbled to the effect that my correspondent on receiving my latest wire conveying local Press rumours of the "peanut's" movements, had become quite violent and had to be placed under restraint.

I have just received the following pathetic note from a loyal henman who is still standing by awaiting the "important personage's" unpredictable arrival. "Thank you for your telegram. Although it was kindly thought of you to buy a hundred pounds of Formosan peanuts for me, Mr. X. I would take the liberty of strongly advising you against sending them to the patient."

"You see, Mr. X's condition has been steadily deteriorating and although it is of course difficult to follow him, he is somewhat off the rails, I have gathered the impression that he thinks he is a Formosan peanut himself and insists on meeting President Li."

"While he is no longer thorough in his bedroom utensils about so I could approach him, he still keeps hiding under the bed and he looks very scared... He says it is very unfortunate to be a peanut because gorillas live on peanuts and there are many big red gorillas in Kwangtung and he is fearing that they will find him and it will be his end."

So you see, I am in grave danger of being scooped when the Principal Peanut finally does show up, unless my correspondent gets rid of his Nationalist Neurosis. Any helpful suggestions will be most welcome."

evenly between the individual and the State, and assuming that the role of stamping out opposition views and smothering criticism, that is the quintessence of tyranny.

That is one of the things that Cardinal Mindszenty fought against in Hungary. May his martyrdom not be in vain.

THE END

Their Jokes Were Not Red Enough

By GORDON YOUNG

Moscow's leading satirical journal, the famous "Crocodile," is today laughing with tears in its eyes.

After poking fun at the foibles of others for 23 years since its inception, the newspaper is now itself in trouble. Its editor, Comrade D. Bilezaw, has just been condemned by a meeting of the Soviet Writers and Artists Association for incompetence.

The complaint: Not that "Crocodile" is insufficiently funny but that it has ideologically missed the bus.

The association declared that the paper has neglected such vital problems as agriculture, and has failed to combat prejudices and religious superstitions still existing among the Russian people. Moreover, the paper has lost so many of its contributors in the recent literary "purge" in Russia that it has been forced to start a search for new talent.

Soviet authorities have always kept a keen eye on "Crocodile," which is regarded as a highly important propaganda weapon. Its humour is native by Western standards, but the paper is immensely popular among Russians, partly because it is technically well-produced, with clear bright colours, and partly because it is, in any case, the only paper to which the Soviet reader can turn for any sort of a laugh.

Although the paper is produced on the up-to-date plant of the "Pravda" works, technical difficulties keep the circulation down to around 150,000 copies of each issue, which appears every 10 days.

Top staff men of "Crocodile" include a trio of cartoonists named Kuznetsov, Krylov, and Solovoy, who collaborate on drawings which they sign with the common name of "Kukryniksy" and who jointly received the Stalin Prize last year.

But "Crocodile" has to tread carefully in the hunt for subjects for its fun. Jokes about sex and marital problems are strictly banned. So are cartoons of any of the Soviet leaders.

The paper's satire follows pretty consistently one of two main lines: (1) Cartoons against the capitalist statesmen, especially Churchill, De Gaulle, and a mythical "Uncle Sam," usually shown as leading all the rest in chains; (2) Criticism against minor Soviet officials and workers who fail to do their job under the Five-Year Plan.

The cartoons build up a faithful propaganda picture of the day's news. One typical cover picture, for instance, shows Churchill watching Moscow's Victory Day fireworks and remarking: "What a pity that, despite our help, the Russians won the war after all."

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Rome. The quality of Italian pure silk is undoubtedly the best in the world. Added to this the Italians now have some new dyes which enable them to produce beautiful, unusual colours and some of the most charmingly printed silks, shantung, and (newly) cottons.

In the fast growing recovery of Italy's textile industry the next obvious step is to use her own materials (silk, wool, and cotton) for Italian-designed fashions.

So with great interest Francis Marshall and I came to visit the fashion houses of Rome and report on Italian haute couture. Furthermore, we have seen for ourselves that the Italian women, who are exceptionally smart and beautiful, are indeed wearing these clothes at the moment.

In comparison with London the designs in Rome are formal and do not have to allow for our climate (and the inevitable coat). Compared with Paris there is an effect of more simple elegance. The fashions of Rome appear to be generally easier to wear.

For instance, see the lady shopping in the Via Condotti (Rome's Bond Street). She wears a coat-frock in black-and-white check, made of fine wool, designed by Gabriellaport.

It would be an excellent addition to an English wardrobe. Another sensible fashion point is that she wears low-heeled shoes. All smart women wear these shoes for day-time here. She is selecting a more formal pair from the finely made high-heeled sandals in the window. The delicate, narrow strapings of these shoes here again are essentially Italian in design.

The poodle's fashion note is a maula worn by ALL dogs in Italy, smart or otherwise.

The pretty girl seen at a cocktail party was wearing another dress from Gabriellaport. It is of navy-blue pure silk taffetas; the top flounce of the skirt gains shape and softer outline by being doubled. Her flat cartwheel hat, also navy of shiny Italian straw, comes from Canessa.

Rome abounds in roof gardens ornamented by trailing plants and flowers, and also a surprising number of lovely blouses. Here you see the two together.

The girl dreaming under the moon is dressed in the most beautiful shade of pearl grey we've ever seen. Her coat is pure silk taffetas, and her dress a fine net over taffetas.

It all comes from the house of Emilio Schuberth, and the effect is like a shaft of moonlight.

Looking around the shops of Rome in general, I think the visitor from England is even more tempted than by those of Paris. It seems unbelievable to see classic shirt-waist blouses with long sleeves, in pure silk. And cotton blouses with hand embroidery like Madeline work.

Naturally, this use of silk and hand embroidery is carried on with underwear too, which is incredibly cheap compared with home.

RECIPE

Lemon-orange Fluff Tart

- 4 egg yolks.
 - 1/4 cup castor sugar.
 - 1-8 teaspoon salt.
 - 1 tablespoon each grated lemon and orange peel.
 - 2 tablespoons each lemon and orange juice.
 - 4 egg whites.
 - 1/4 cup castor sugar.
 - 1 baked pastry shell.
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English Women Are Smart

I don't think English women have any idea just how smart they are looking these days.

After more than 18 months working in the United States, in New York and points West, that's the first thing which struck me on my return to London.

When I left England at the end of 1947 there was no doubt about it—we were rather down at heel. The "New Look", just beginning, made us, because of rationing, look more dowdy than ever.

Obviously let-down items or obstinately knee-length skirts seemed almost indecent beside those few lucky ones with enough coupons to spare for a swinging, mid-calf dress.

But things have changed since then. Times are still tough. I know, but in some ways the little girls trooping out of the offices at lunchtime in the City, or the tired looking women doing their morning's shopping in residential London, look better turned out than their New York sisters.

They are less slung around with fat-lens—fabulously priced accessories and artificial jewellery—and they've not gone overboard for exaggerated fullness and plunging necklines.

Racing Taste

Just how British women have developed this new found dress sense was borne out in no small measure at the Epsom races recently.

Ladies' Day, cold and windy, made the very few in traditional flowing summer frocks look blue, pinched and wispy. The really smart women were something warm and neat.

One of the smartest outfits was a stone-coloured wool dress, which looked like a two-piece, but was actually all in one—an overskirt with loose panels wrapped over a tight underskirt fastened up one side with big black buttons.

Bag, shoes, belt were in black patent leather. A black velvet collar softened the severe neck. With the black cut off, was in with a black straw with a pouf of feathers above and below the brim on one side.

Coming from America with its blazing summers, it seems particularly important to have summer clothes which fit our healthy, but very uncertain, climate.

Pleats

It was nice to see accordion-pleating again—when I left England it was still forbidden, and many woollen two-piece dresses had short, neat, buttoned-up jackets and swinging pleated skirts.

One, in palest "dirty" yellow wool with black pin stripes, had a long jacket with an amusing square cut out in the front to the waist, and shoulders made wide by fitting out cape effect over the long sleeves.

There were many fur capes, which looked very smart over

straight suits and dresses, and I had forgotten how important an umbrella is in England.

Many of the women carried long, thin handled ones, definitely part of their whole outfit with either handle or silk a perfect match to their costume. Colour-contrasting with the wearer's clothes, were also striking.

The men, as usual when I came home from America, struck me as better dressed than the women grey toppers and perfectly pressed striped trousers being almost universal in the enclosures. In America most of the spare money goes on the women's backs, and all the poor husbands can produce for a special occasion is a new, gaudy tie.

One complaint I do have with British women. Just because Princess Margaret so often wears a white hat, white shoes, handbag and gloves, does everybody have to copy her? Nothing is smarter. But when four out of five choose white accessories, it becomes like a uniform, and I don't like white straw with heavy tweeds, which I noticed several times. The smartest women, incidentally, wore comfortable shoes.

Many otherwise elegant outfits were spoiled by their wearers limping painfully by the end of the day.

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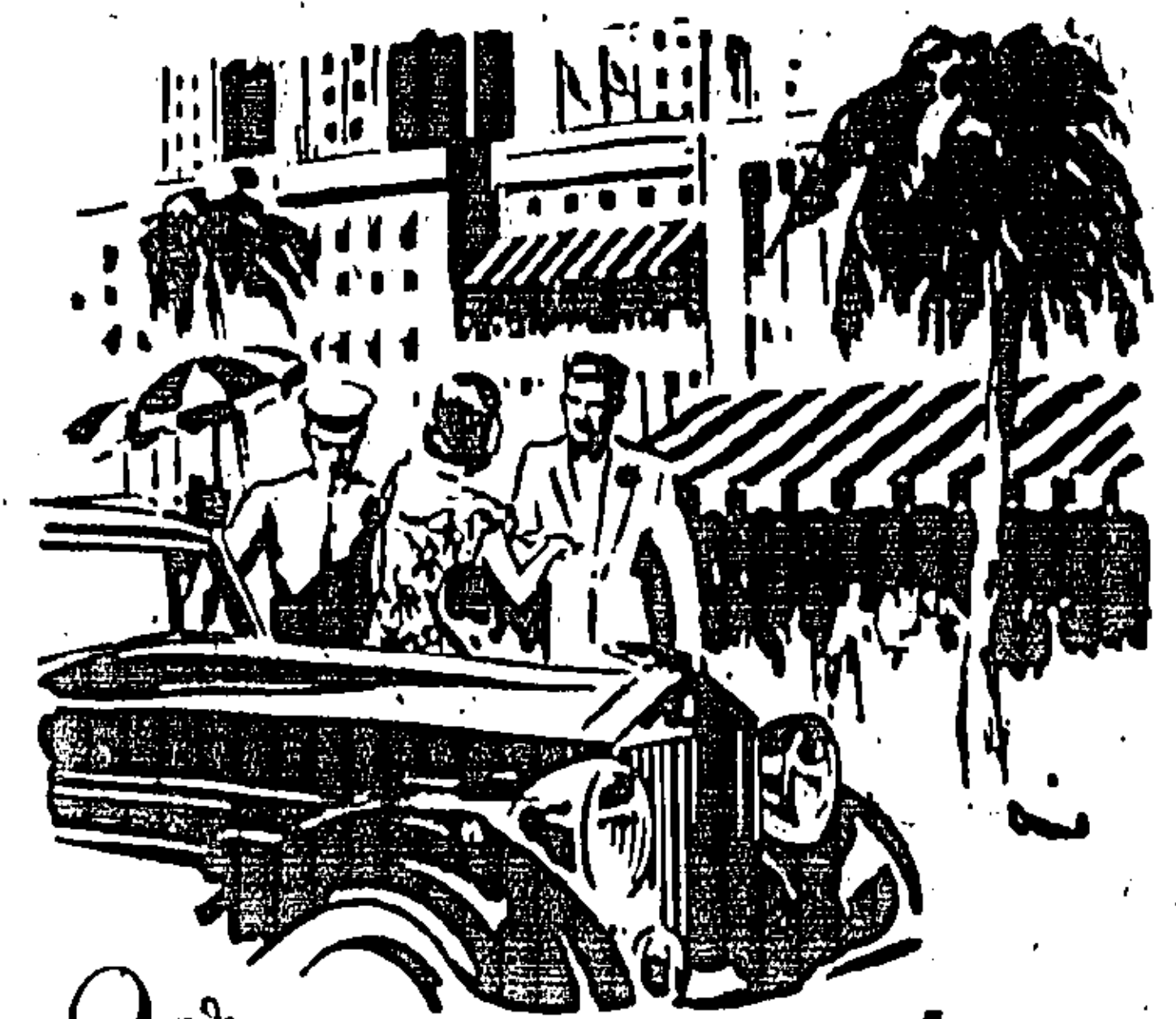
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SHOWDOWN ON VALUE OF POUND

Washington, July 5.
An eventual showdown on evaluation of the British Pound Sterling is certain.

The British are reluctant to tamper with the foreign exchange value of their money, but pressure comes from European countries whose own currencies are out of line with real values.

Pressure also comes from the United States Treasury, the U.S. Economic Cooperation Administration and the International Monetary Fund, all pressing for a general re-alignment of foreign currencies.

The big question is, when will Britain devalue the Pound, or when will its economic crisis pass?

Most authorities guess there will be no devaluation this summer. It may not even come this year. If Britain weathers her present business troubles, devaluation can be put off.

The thing to keep in mind is that the value of money rests on the attitude of people toward it.

Devaluation requires the most careful stage setting of any monetary manoeuvre. People must be conditioned to accept it. Usually all the background is thoroughly explained as a prelude, then overnight, without warning—comes the decision.

The stage is now being set—Associated Press.

EXPLOSION IN DAMASCUS

Damascus, July 4.
A big explosion in a fireworks shop here today killed three and injured seven.
Damage to the shop, which was situated in the old Damascus city area, is estimated at Syrian £500,000.—Reuter.

STRIKE DAMAGING UK'S ECONOMY

London, July 4.
The three Members of Parliament who have personally investigated the stoppage by 8,000 London dock-workers supporting Canadian seamen on strike, saw the Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, today.

One of them, Mr. Robert Melish, who has called for a probe by MI-5 (Secret Service), today told a meeting of dockers that they are being used by communists. The dockers, however, voted overwhelmingly against handling the two strike-bound Canadian ships Beaverbrae and Argonaut.

The Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, speaking in the House of Commons, again appealed today to the men to go back to work.

Mr. Isaacs said that the 88 idle ships include 30 food ships and there are eight other vessels undermanned. There are 8,336 men out today and their strike is hurting the country.

They are damaging the country's economic position, Mr. Isaacs said.

At today's dockland mass meeting, Mr. Ted Dickson, of the unofficial "Lock-Out Committee", was asked if the dispute will be settled if troops are sent in to work the Canadian ships.

"Witch Hunt"
He replied: "We shall protest against the armed forces of this country being used as a strike-breaking weapon."
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London, July 4.
Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told Parliament today that he regards the Paris agreement on intra-European payments as "a great achievement of European co-operation which will, I hope, serve to develop European trade and recovery."
He said that Belgium will get more dollar aid for the year 1949-50 in return for making grants and long-term credits to some of her principal debtors.

"In this way Belgium's debtors, of whom we are one, should have enough of other currency to buy from her without loss of gold or dollars and without being under strong pressure to use for that purpose the grants made to them by other countries."

Sir Stafford said that by limiting the amount of conditional dollar aid which could change hands any serious restrictive effect would be avoided, since the risk for the country taking part should be outweighed by the advantages which they will gain from expanding trade with their European partners in a more fully competitive system.

Speaking of the provision that the working of the scheme should be kept under constant review, the Chancellor said: "For instance we should expect to see a revision of the grants made from time to time if it should be found that errors in calculations have been made, or if such revision were necessary to avoid special hardship to any particular creditor."

Record Payments

Gold and dollar settlements to Belgium last month under the intra-European payments agreement reached a record figure, the British Treasury disclosed today.

Settlements totalled £6,790,000 to Belgium and £1,610,000 to Switzerland.

The figure for Switzerland was exceeded in April, when the amount was £1,606,000. British gold and dollar losses to Belgium and Switzerland in the quarter just ended were more than twice as large as in the previous quarter.

To Belgium they were £10,842,000 against £5,031,000 in the

previous quarter, to Switzerland £4,330,000 against £1,864,000.
The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, flew back to Paris from London tonight after a one-day conference with the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin.

Usually well-informed quarters here believe that M. Schuman's unexpected visit was to discuss Britain's economic position before Wednesday's statement in the House of Commons by Sir Stafford Cripps.

Paris Talks

Tonight, M. Roland de Margerie, head of the Levant and African Department of the French Foreign Office, is due in London for talks at the Foreign Office.

The chief purpose of his visit is to report the French views on recent exchanges with Britain and the United States on a new plan for Tripolitania.

The new intra-European payments agreement was believed to have been discussed when the United States Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John Snyder, and the Marshall Airl Ambassador, Mr. Averell Harriman, met the French Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, and the Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, at dinner in Paris tonight.

Authoritative quarters state that the discussions were centered on general world financial problems and three questions in particular:

- (1) The payments agreement.
- (2) Import-export systems existing between European countries and between Europe and the United States.
- (3) Marshall Aid problems.

The dinner was given by the French Finance Minister, M. Maurice Pethe, at his home. Government finance experts, and Mr. David Bruce, United States Ambassador to France, were also present.

M. Schuman attended after his lightning visit to Mr. Bevin in London.

The talks will be continued tomorrow and would be followed by an official dinner at the French Finance Ministry.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAV NOTE RETURNED

Belgrade, July 4.
Rumania has returned without comment a Yugoslav note protesting against alleged physical attacks on her diplomats in Bucharest by Yugoslav emigrants.

Yugoslavia alleged that M. Milenko Stojanovich, Press Attache, and another official, M. Bozich Vasilch, were assaulted and that the road was blocked to an Embassy car carrying the Ambassador's wife.—Reuter.

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INSURANCE SCHEME

Many Injured In Train Collision

Chester, July 4.
Thirty-three were injured today when a passenger train crashed into the rear of an express crowded with holiday-makers which was about to pull out from the station here.

The driver had taken the brakes off when the rear of the train was run into by the Derby to Llandudno train, and his action probably prevented a more serious accident.

The injured include 28 passengers and five railway staff. Between 15 and 20 were taken to hospital, two being detained.—Reuter.

WALLACE ON THE CRISIS

New York, July 4.
Mr. Henry Wallace, leader of the Progressive Party, today wrote to every United States Senator urging the rejection of the North Atlantic Pact "because of the world economic crisis."

The Senate begins its debate on the ratification of the Pact tomorrow.

"The reality of the world economic crisis demands that we stop and completely reconsider the entire foreign policy which the Pact expresses," Mr. Wallace wrote.

"Europe is already approaching a crisis. Britain is on the verge of being forced to devalue the Pound. It has already been forced to seek an exclusive sterling trading area because of the shortage of dollars."

"There is not one nation in Western Europe—even Belgium, which has a favourable balance—that is not free of growing unemployment and the threat of financial bankruptcy."

Mr. Wallace declared that it is now proposed to divert the energies, capital and the resources of those countries to further military preparedness when all resources are needed to prevent economic disaster.

In the United States, the need for emergency action to stop a domestic depression demands the diversion of arms money to relief and depression-stopping policies, he said.

"By adding to the financial distress of Western Europe," Mr. Wallace said, "we are forcing the European nations into more and more exclusive agreements which mean the shutting down of American plants."

Britain's trade pact with Argentina, he said, is the type imposed by the Atlantic Pact and the foreign policy of the United States.

"If our trade with Eastern Europe were permitted to reach the same per capita level as our trade with the rest of Asia, there would be a 1,000,000 more jobs in America within six months," Mr. Wallace declared.—Reuter.

10,000,000 Claims In First Year

London, July 4.
Britain's national insurance, one year old tomorrow, dealt with 10,000,000 claims in its first year, involving 40,000,000 separate payments.
This was stated tonight in a report by the Health Ministry, reviewing the first year's working of the scheme, which first took shape in the famous Beveridge Report, and was estimated to cost £452,000,000 in its opening year.

The scheme covers sickness and unemployment, retirement pensions, widows and orphans' allowances, maternity allowances and grants, and a death grant for adults. The death grants begin tomorrow.

Tonight's report says that 7,000,000 new claims to sickness benefit were made in the first year and there were 800,000 to maternity benefit.

Families receiving family allowances increased by 100,000 to 2,900,000. About 24,000,000 people are now contributing for the scheme's family benefits.

The Ministry's head office answered an average of nearly 40,000 inquiries from local offices each day. At this and other central offices 7,500,000 pensions and allowances are maintained in payment and 800,000 new claims were settled during the year.

The local offices were visited by 28,000,000 people, at an average of 500,000 a week. Nearly 2,000 claims a week were made for widowhood benefits, which were paid to 400,000 widows under 60.

In addition, guardians' allowances and orphans' pensions were also being paid to 10,000 children.

About 750,000 claims had been made for industrial injuries benefits of all kinds during the year. About 10,000 claims were made each week for injury benefits, and claims to disablement benefit, a pension or gratuity numbered 6,000 a month.

The main weekly benefits and grants payable under the scheme are:

Sickness and unemployment: 26 shillings weekly, with 10 shillings for a dependent and 7/6d. for the first child.

Retirement pensions: 26 shillings weekly.

Widows' pensions and allowances ranging from 26 shillings to 30 shillings weekly.

Maternity allowances: 35 shillings.

Maternity grant: £4. 0. 0.

Death Grant for Adults: £20. 0. 0.—Reuter.

EXPRESS CRASH

Paris, July 4.
Five were killed and 19 seriously injured when a fast Strasbourg-Paris train left the tracks between Avricourt and Embarras, in the Meurthe-et-Moselle Department of Eastern France today, first reports reaching Paris said. One coach was very seriously damaged. Avricourt is about 200 miles East of Paris.—Reuter.

Echo Of Rommel Suicide

Roseheim, July 4.
Former Lieutenant General Ernst Maisei was convicted of Nazism today by a German court which ruled that he helped the Nazis force Field-Marshal Erwin Rommel to commit suicide.

General Maisei was sentenced to two years hard labour and confiscation of 10 per cent of his property. But he has already been in prison that long so he was given his immediate freedom.

The court after a week-long hearing classified Maisei as a Nazi activist, the second worst type of Nazi.

When Rommel, the hero of Hitler's African campaign, died in 1944 the Nazis claimed his death was due to battle wounds and gave him a state funeral. But the prosecution contended that the Nazis actually plotted his death because he was suspected of a part in the July 20, 1944 bomb plot against Hitler.

Witnesses, including Rommel's son, Manfred, testified that Maisei was one of two Generals who visited Rommel on the day of his death. They said the Generals brought a vial of poison and threatened Rommel that his family would be persecuted unless he took the poison.

The court declared that Maisei's complicity in the plot was proved. But the court made his sentence light because of evidence that Maisei had added several victims of Nazi terrorism.—Associated Press.

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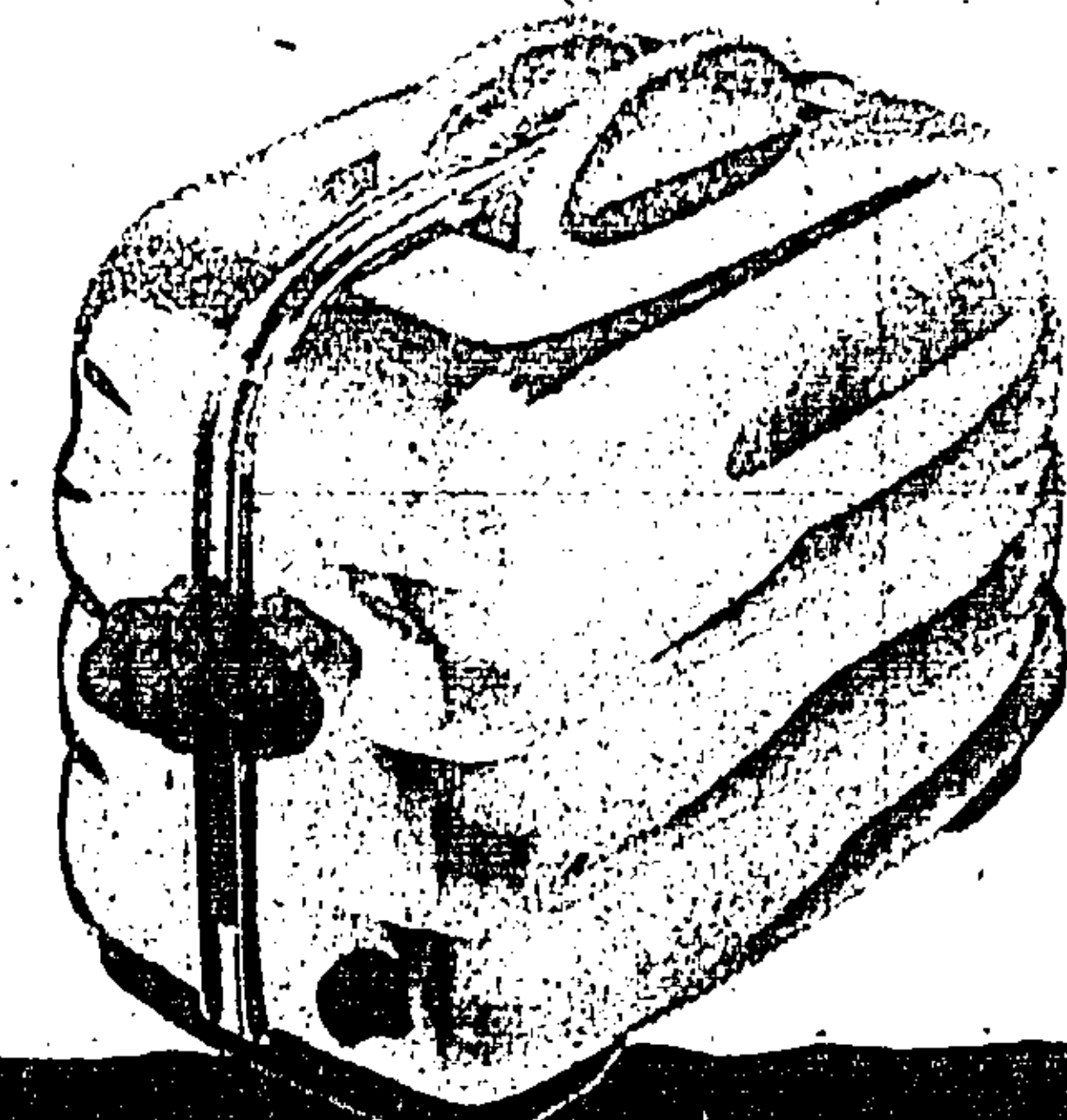


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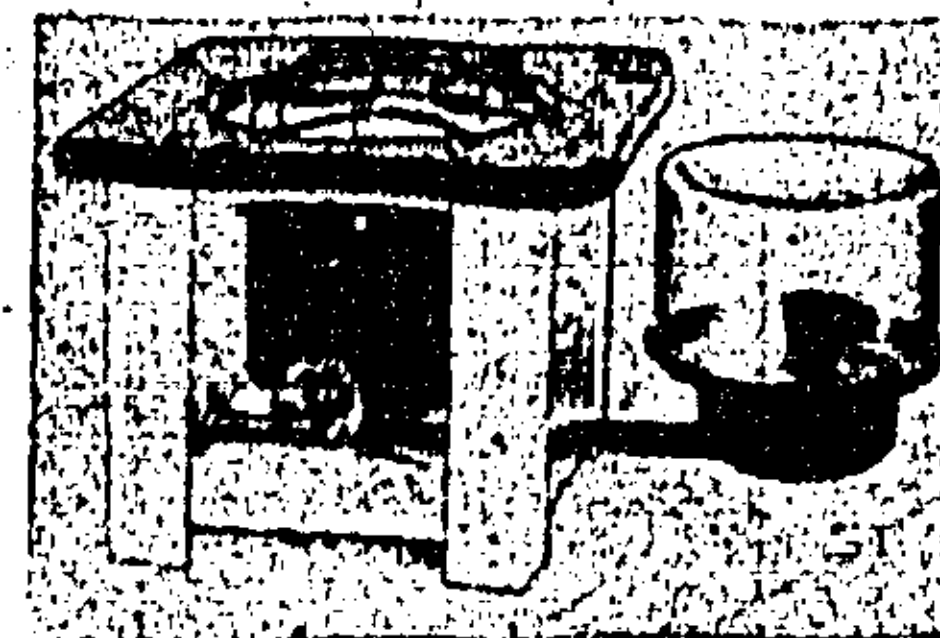
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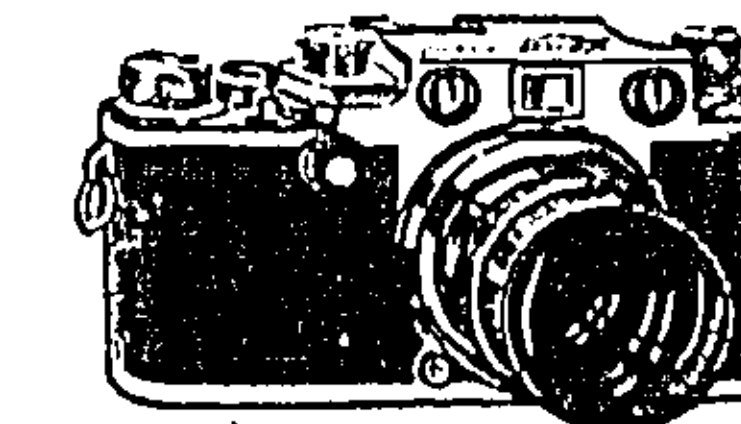
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TEEN AGE TOPICS



Life In Hollywood By BETTY BETZ

(Synopsis: Miss Betty Betz began her world tour on visits to
teenagers of various countries, flying from New York to San
Francisco on her first leg of the journey.
Arriving at the West Coast of the United States, she visited
Los Angeles, and here is her article on Hollywood.—Ed.)

"What's it like to have movie stars for parents?" we
asked at our Hollywood party given at the
famous Brown Derby.
"Sometimes it's pretty hectic," said 14-year-old
Melinda Markey, who's the pretty dark haired
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"I don't notice anything different except that I get pretty
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"It gets sort of strenuous when
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all the time. And it grates me
when I have to answer the tele-
phone 80 times a day, too!" com-
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old daughter of George Burns
and Gracie Allen.

I don't know what we ex-
pected of these daughters of
Hollywood celebrities, but we
certainly were shocked to find
them not only nice and natural,
but pretty too!

We expected they'd either be
so stuck on themselves that
they'd be pains in the neck or
else they might be so shy and
self-conscious that we wouldn't
get two words out of them. But
no... Melinda, Kathryn and
Sandy turned out to be the big
words among their set, and com-
pletely unspoiled in spite of the
fact that each one of them has
a solid gold charm bracelet and
a swimming pool in the backyard.

Even though these kids are
unimpressed by meeting most
movie stars, there are certain film
favourites who bring out goose
bumps and dizzy spells... such
as... well... Monty Clift and
Burt Lancaster.

Pretty Melinda, who wears
adorable plaid-rimmed glasses,
suddenly burst into giggles as she
told us a story about meeting her
big ideal, Burt Lancaster on a
recent trip to New York with her
mother, Joan Bennett.

"Mom was doing a radio
broadcast with Burt Lancaster, so
naturally I followed her to all the
rehearsals. I used to talk with
Mr. Lancaster and was just get-
ting over being knock-kneed and
jittery—that is until my mother

Teen Time

Quite a few letters have come
in with regard to Teen Time. The
questions are mainly if they are
eligible to take part in the pro-
gramme. Some Chinese boys
enquired if they will be accepted
although they can't speak Eng-
lish very well; others ask who
chooses the records and arranges
the programme. One made a
request that Teen Time be broad-
cast earlier and suggested be-
tween 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

All concerned will forgive me
if I don't reply to them directly,
as that would be rather difficult
for me in many ways. I am tak-
ing this opportunity to answer
the letters as fully as I am able,
so here goes:

As I have said before, all teen
agers interested in taking part in
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their name and address and the
easiest way by which they can be
contacted. They should also
name the discs that they would
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ting over being knock-kneed and
jittery—that is until my mother

Teen Time

Quite a few letters have come
in with regard to Teen Time. The
questions are mainly if they are
eligible to take part in the pro-
gramme. Some Chinese boys
enquired if they will be accepted
although they can't speak Eng-
lish very well; others ask who
chooses the records and arranges
the programme. One made a
request that Teen Time be broad-
cast earlier and suggested be-
tween 7 p.m. and 8 p.m.

All concerned will forgive me
if I don't reply to them directly,
as that would be rather difficult
for me in many ways. I am tak-
ing this opportunity to answer
the letters as fully as I am able,
so here goes:

As I have said before, all teen
agers interested in taking part in
Teen Time should write in giving
their name and address and the
easiest way by which they can be
contacted. They should also
name the discs that they would
like played in the programme in
which they feature. And these
must reach the Topics not later
than Friday if they wish to take
part in the following week's pro-
gramme.

(Continued on Cpt. 3)

Platter Chatter

Moutrie's latest lot offers a
grand opportunity to record col-
lectors and admirers of Glenn
Miller, Duke Ellington and Artie
Shaw.

The pressings are on HMV
which, in my opinion, has greater
fidelity of tone and wears better
than any other discs.

Judging from the way the re-
cords are selling, you have to get
to Moutrie's early for some of the
following:

Glenn Miller: Beat Me Daddy,
Eight to the Bar, Falling
Leaves, Star Dust Imagination,
Frenesi, My Blue Heaven; My
Prayer, A Nightingale Sang in
Berkeley Square; Beethoven's
Moonlight Sonata The Story of

a Starry Night; Farewell Blues
Say Si Si; The Boogie Woogie
Plug; Boulder Butt; Anvil
Chorus, parts one and two.

Duke Ellington: Concerto For
Cootie, Me and You; Memphis
Blues, Frankie and Johnnie;
Chick, Across the Trace Blues;
Solitude, Troubled Waters.

Artie Shaw: Rosa Room, Villa;
Bedford Drive, Tabu; Gloomy
Sunday, Don't Fall Asleep; Yol-
anda, Dancing in the Dark.

Two classics by Xavier Cugat
are coupled: Frenesi and Tonight
(Perfidia).

Dinah Shore's Button and Bows
is on Columbia and backed by All
My Love which is Waldteufel's
Dolores Waltz with lyrics.

"Slow Boat"

Another current favourite avail-
able is on A Slow Boat To
China and you have the choice
of "Professor" Kay Kyser or
Larry Clinton.

In the humour section, Spike
Jones and His City Slickers do a
take-off on It Rains or It Pour
Beautiful Sea. The better platters
by Phil Harris were sold out
before I could get any which is
indicative of the increasing popu-
larity of this singer comedian.

Hot Fan will like the fast Shiek
of Araby and a slow Liebestraum
by the Quintette of the Hot Club
of France.

A Filipino band, Fred Elizalde
and his Hot Music appears on
Columbia with Somebody Stole My
Gal and Darktown Strutters' Ball.
The style of music purveyed is
that of a quarter of a century
ago.

The Wren.

Be-Bop In HK

"Wake up Denis," hollered my
kid brother, tugging at my
jeans, "they're playing be-bop
in the streets." I scrambled out
of the sofa and blinked. Nope,
I wasn't dreaming. I glanced at
the calendar, it wasn't April fool
day. "Be-bop in Hong Kong!" I
exclaimed dubiously. "Who are
they? Where?" I enquired.

"Down the street of course," re-
plied my brother calmly. "The
hand isn't negro, but shucks, the
music from those be-bop records
Corrine has is not half as hot as
the music this unformed band
plays."

While hurdling over our neigh-
bours' fences on our way to the
street where the band was play-
ing, I thought, "Whoever heard
of be-bop in Hong Kong? A uni-
formed band too!" and was about
to turn back when chill hot music
hit me.

I anxiously wormed my way
through the attentive crowd up
to the front. I took one short
look at the band and swooned.

When I regained my senses,
Corrine, who had luckily been
among the crowd and had brought
me home, was explaining to Mum
how I fainted at a Chinese funeral,
probably due to the stifling heat.

If she only knew! My kin
brother was staring admiringly at
me and innocently remarked,
"Be-bop sure can make a guy
swoon. Even Frankie couldn't
have done any better." If I
weren't in such a weak condition,
I would have got up and brained
him.

The next day, Corrine invited
me over to her joint for a jam

session when she accidentally put
be-bop king, Dixie Gillespie's
"Jump Up and Howl!" on the
gram. How! Did her Pop jump
up and howl!

"Take that blasted incoherent
disc out of this house. It sounds
like... a funeral march!" Was
he surprised when I shook his
hands heartily and declared,
"Pop, you took the words right
out of my mouth!"

Yep teen agers, if you haven't
had the misfortune of hearing
that wonderful thing called be-
bop, don't fret, it's no regret. If
you're still curious to hear be-
bop, after reading this, go ahead,
but don't say I didn't warn you.

Curiosity killed the cat and be-
bop will definitely do you no
good. It's MURDER!

DENIS B. ADLONG

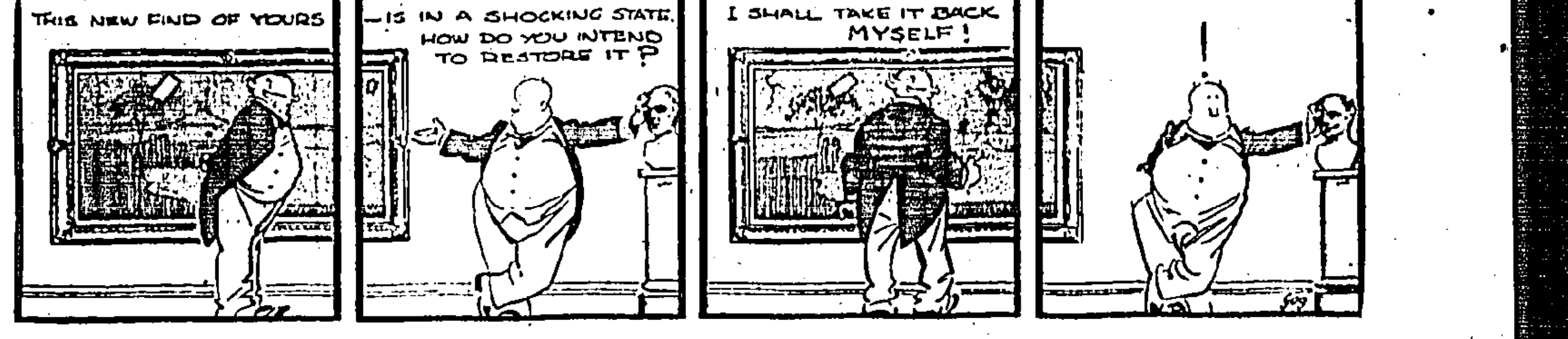
Teen Time

(Continued from Cpt. 3)

It doesn't make any difference
if you are Chinese, a long as you
can speak English and read it
quite fluently. This is important
because broadcasting must be
heard.

At the moment, Norma Stevens
is Teen Time's permanent emce-
e and all taking part meet with her
to prepare for the programme,
the Teen agers work out the
script themselves. As to the
change of time for Teen Time, I
must refer to Rediffusion before
I can reply to that.—Clear enough
now?

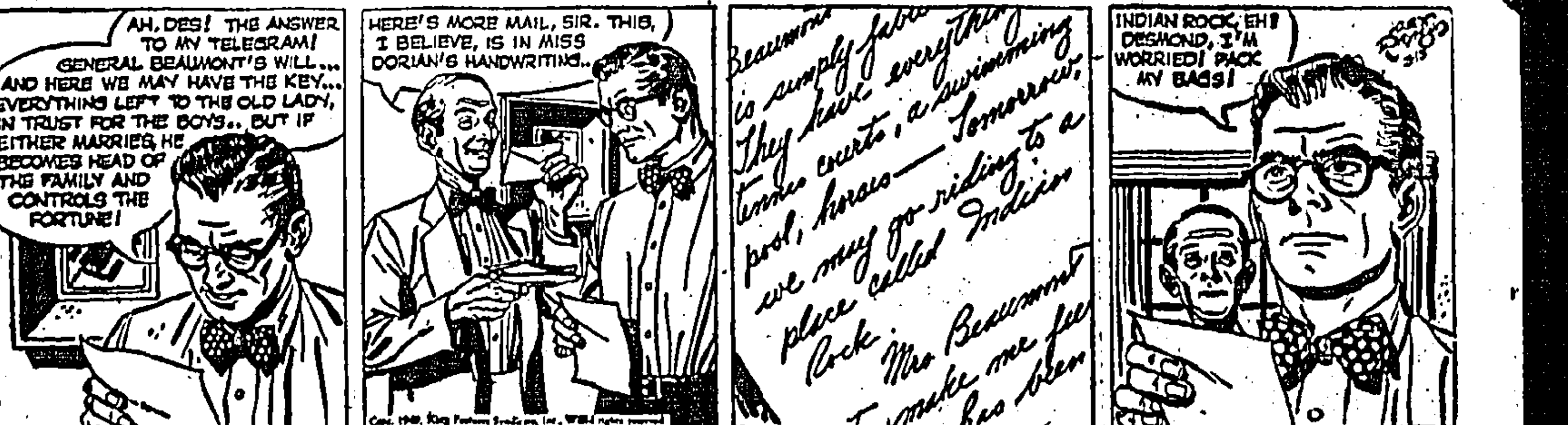
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"KWEIYANG"	Swatow & Amoy	4 p.m. 8th July	
"HUFEI"	Incheon	5 p.m. 8th July	
"SZCHUEN"	Singapore, Ribu & Brunei	noon 9th July	
"NINGHAI"	Bangkok	5 p.m. 9th July	
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	6 p.m. 10th July	
"FOOCHOW"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya & Batavia	11th July	

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"SHENGKING"	Swatow	8 a.m. 8th July	
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12.32 p.m.—Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards and Peter Dawson, (Radio).
1.00 p.m.—Duke Ellington and His Orchestra.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—Excerpts from Council's "Piano".
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
2.40 p.m.—"Hong Kong Calling."
3.00 p.m.—London Studio Melodies, The Melodrama Orchestra with Gino Crescenzi and Jettie, (HRTS).
3.30 p.m.—The Three Suns, Instrumental Trio.
3.40 p.m.—Pete Valderama at the Piano, (Studio).
3.50 p.m.—"Secured Round-About" Variety Request Programme Presented by Jean Halliday, (Studio).
4.00 p.m.—News and News Analysis, (London Relay).
4.15 p.m.—"Much Binding in the Marsh," (HRTS).
4.45 p.m.—"Generally Speaking" "I Am a New Adventure" A Talk by Jack McLaren, (London Relay).
5.00 p.m.—"From the Editorials," (London Relay).
5.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
5.11 p.m.—World Theatre, "The Merchant of Venice" by William Shakespeare. By arrangement with the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre, Stratford-on-Avon, (HRTS).
5.15 p.m.—Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel, (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Summary of News from China.
11.20 p.m.—Close Down.

Rediffusion

7.00 a.m.—Up With The Sun.
7.15 a.m.—Setting Up Exercises.
7.30 p.m.—Musical Clock.
7.45 a.m.—The Ed. A. Keller Programme.
8.00 a.m.—News and Weather Forecast.
8.15 a.m.—Easy Listening.
8.45 a.m.—Through The Looking Glass.
9.00 a.m.—Good Morning.
9.30 a.m.—Wednesday's Music.
9.45 a.m.—A. M. Melley.
11.00 a.m.—Music For All.
12.00 p.m.—Keyboard Cavalcade.
12.15 p.m.—Time Time.
12.30 p.m.—Military Band.
1.00 p.m.—River.
1.15 p.m.—News.
1.30 p.m.—Orchestra Concert.
2.00 p.m.—Afternoon Musical.
2.30 p.m.—Today's Choice.
4.30 p.m.—Vocally Yours.
5.00 p.m.—Music Makers.
5.15 p.m.—Gazette Calling.
5.30 p.m.—Honey Hall.
6.45 p.m.—Radio Headlines.
6.00 p.m.—Kingdom of Swing.
6.30 p.m.—Light Music.
6.45 p.m.—Do You Remember? (Pekin Syndicate).
7.00 p.m.—Evening Concert (Random).
7.45 p.m.—The Super-Cola Programme.
8.00 p.m.—B.I.C. News.
8.15 p.m.—Norman Clutter and His Memorable Music.
8.30 p.m.—The Daily Farm Programme.
9.00 p.m.—Dance Times—Woody Herman.
9.15 p.m.—Moonlight Serenade.
9.30 p.m.—The Carrier Programme.
10.00 p.m.—B.I.C. World News.
10.10 p.m.—Local News.
10.15 p.m.—Light Music.
11.00 p.m.—Nighttime.
11.15 p.m.—Soft Lights and Sweet Music.
Midnight Close Down.

EVADING PAYING BUS FARE

A fine of \$25 or seven days in default was given to a ship's watchman, Chau Kai-kong, for evading payment of bus fare.

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Canton, July 5.
There has been no change in the over-all situation in Canton during the past month. No panic is noticeable regarding the threatened Communist drive into South China, and it is unlikely that there will be any until the Nationalist Government pull out, when looting is expected.

Precautions against looting and other disturbances have been taken in Canton City and on the former Concession Island of Shamoen, which contains several million pounds worth of British property.

The attitude of foreigners regarding the future of Shamoen is reflected in the island's big building programme. The British are rebuilding, at large expense, their Consulate which was burned down during the anti-British riots in January, 1948, and the Americans are renovating the former Yokohama Specie Bank for use as a Consulate.

Official business in Canton remains at a standstill, with exports negligible. Smuggling continues on a large scale and any commodity available in Hong Kong is obtainable here—at a price.

The economic situation is confused, with the new Nationalist currency still on trial. The Hong Kong dollar has yet to be replaced—even in Government transactions—in South China's main currency.

There is plenty of food. It is estimated that there are sufficient stocks of imported and China-grown rice to feed Canton's 1,500,000 people until September.

Wishful Thinking

The full in the military situation continues, and there are no signs of Communist General Lin Piao's drive down the Hankow-Canton Railway developing. Life in Changsha, the capital of Hunan Province, is dull and quiet, and the few foreigners there intend to stay put.

Communist activities in China's South Eastern Province of Fukien indicate that their next major objective may be the tea-exporting port of Foochow, at the mouth of the Min River.

To would be the natural jumping-off point for an invasion of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's island stronghold of Taiwan, but without a navy and an air force it will have more economic than military value to the Communists.

Wishful thinking in Chinese circles in Canton suggests that the delay in the Communist's South China offensive is due to:

- 1.—The July harvesting of South China's rice;
- 2.—Floods in Hunan and Kiangsi Provinces; and
- 3.—Disease among the Communists' North China troops, who are not used to South China conditions.

No Secret

A more likely reason for their apparent reluctance to march on to Canton is the Communists' proven policy of eliminating dangerous opposing forces before extending their civil administration commitments.

It is now no longer a secret in Canton that, if and when the Communists arrive, the National Government will move en bloc to Chungking—with representatives of certain ministries in Taiwan—and the Provincial Government to Hoihow, capital of Hainan Island, off the South China coast, which technically is part of Kwangtung Province.

Relations between the Canton Cabinet and Taiwan, where the Generalissimo controls a sizeable Air Force and a large slice of the Treasury, still need clarification.

Arrangements have been made in Canton for a meeting between Generalissimo Chiang and Acting President Li Tsung-jen, but whether such a meeting will be held here, in Taiwan or elsewhere, has still to be decided.—Reuter-AAP.

Denies Ship Was Stopped By Chinese

A report that the Panamanian LST North Star was intercepted by Nationalist Navy destroyers and a Nationalist war plane en route to Hong Kong from Yingkow was denied by the Norwegian master, Mr. Rasmussen, yesterday.

"We saw a Chinese Air Force aircraft which passed by our ship. Later a British cruiser came by," Mr. Rasmussen declared when approached regarding the report. The report said that a Nationalist war plane flew low over the North Star to check her identity. The pilot flashed to the ship an ensign, about her destination, original port and cargo.

Shortly afterwards, two Chinese Navy destroyers stopped the LST and also flashed for similar information.

Both were apparently satisfied with the answers given by the ship and permitted the North Star to proceed.

The North Star arrived here on July 1 from the Communist port of Yingkow with 1,300 tons of soy beans, 600 tons of bean cakes, 15 tons of bristles and more than 200 tons of general Manchurian cargo.

This was one of her several trips to the Red-held port. Mr. Rasmussen declared that since the blockade is on it would be unwise to sail up North.

URBAN COUNCIL MEETING

Two applications for a milk shop and a cafe licence were refused by the Urban Council at its fortnightly meeting yesterday. The premises were said to be unsuitable.

During last month a total of 132 licences were renewed; five were refused and 24 new licences issued.

In the same month, the Urban Council removed 453 squatter huts in Kowloon, and some 400 squatters were cleared from the ruined building of the Civil Servants' Club at Happy Valley.

The month's activities included routine cleansing of a total of 13,810 floors, and 1,512 prosecutions in connection with offences against health regulations.

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SAILS: Friday, 8th July at 5 p.m. for the United Kingdom via Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said.

BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf Coy's Godown, at No. 2 Gate, Canton Road Entrance, by 4 p.m. on Thursday the 7th July.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves ALL baggage must pass through the Wharf Company's Godown for loading on board by ship's slings only.

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MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD SEA MAIL TO U.K.
A surface mail to United Kingdom via Ports per R.M.S. "Canton" will be closed as follows:—
GPO: (Parcels) 5 p.m. July 7, (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. July 8, (Ord.) 2 p.m. July 7.
Kowloon CPO: (Parcels) 5 p.m. July 7, (Reg.) 1 p.m. July 8, (Ord.) 1.30 p.m. July 7.

This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about August 8, 1949.

It is hereby notified that all mail services for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China are temporarily suspended.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. It falls close before 10 p.m. Registered and Parcel Posts close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

Closing Times by Air

Canton, (Kowloon CPO) 9 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2 p.m., 3.30 p.m.; (GPO) 8.30 a.m., Noon, 1.30 p.m., 3 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

Airmail for Hongkong and Japan, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

Airmail for Hoihow: Airmail for Tel-poh, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy: Airmail for Chungking and Chengtu, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Saigon and Paris, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea

Hoihow, Pakhoi via Hoihow and Straits, Noon.

Swatow, 2 p.m.

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THURSDAY, JULY 7

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Bangkok, Calcutta, Karachi, (Hairs, Madras, Bombay, Dacca, Calcutta, Mauritius, Johannesburg and Cairo via Karachi), Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon CPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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Closing Times by Sea

Foochow, 9 a.m.

Straits and Hongkong, 10 a.m.

Swatow, 4 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Madagascar, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Bombay, Aden, Egypt and Europe via London, (Par.) 5 p.m., (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. M/V, (Ord.) 2 p.m. 8/7.

FRIDAY, JULY 8

Closing Times by Air

Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Hoihow and Hanoi, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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"VAN HEUTS"	18th July	9th July
"VAN HEUTSDIJK"	1st August	23rd July
"VAN HEUTS"	18th August	8th August

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TJIKAMPEK"	18th July	12th July
"RUYS"	24th Sept.	
"TJIBODAS"	5th Oct.	18th Aug.

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Transshipment cargo accepted on through B/L to
Dar-Es-Salaam and Zanzibar.
* No passenger accommodation.

JAPAN

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"RUYS"	18th July	7th August
"TJIKAMPEK"		15th July

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EUROPE via MANILA and MALAYA

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"MEERKERK"	6th July	In port
"AMSTELDIJK"	End July	Early Aug.
"RINKERK"	End Aug.	Early Sept.
"MARIKERK"	End Sept.	

Transshipment cargo accepted on through B/L to India,
Mediterranean and Northern European ports.

JAPAN

SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"MEERKERK"	8th July	5th July
"AMSTELDIJK"		End July

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ARRIVING FROM U.S. ATLANTIC COAST VIA LOS ANGELES & SAN FRANCISCO

m.v. "BENGAL"	18th July
m.v. "BENARES"	Early Sept.

SAILING FOR U.S. ATLANTIC COAST VIA SAN FRANCISCO & LOS ANGELES

m.v. "DONA NATI" (calls Japan)	13th July
m.v. "DONA ANICETA" (calls Japan)	Mid Aug.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

BULL MARKET IN GOLD SHARES ON LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, July 4.

The index of South African gold mining shares on the London Stock Exchange today reached a new high mark for the year.

Today's high mark for gold shares theoretically confirmed that the long down-trend ("bear market") in gold shares since last January has turned into an up-trend ("bull market").

Hong Kong Stock Exchange

More activity was displayed yesterday. Buyers have had to advance their offers to attract shares, even so the Market is finding the supply of scrip rather limited.

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5% Loan (1945) 100 1/2.
New South Bank A. & B. 42 1/2.
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Canton Ind. 200.
Union Ind. 200.
China Underwriters 500.
H.K. Fire Ins. 240.

SHIPPING

London 220.
H.K. & S. Steamships 17 1/2.
Indo China (P&O) 80 1/2.
(1947) 200.
Shanghai 61 1/2.
Asia Nav. 200.

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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H.K. Tramways 100.
Peak Tram (H.K.) 100.
(New) 100.
Star Ferry 100.

INDUSTRIALS

Cable, Elec. (Ord.) 250.
Cable, Elec. (New) 250.
Cable, Elec. (New) 250.
H.K. Paper 100.

STOCKS

China Emporium 100.
Sun Co. Ltd. 200.
Kowloon & Kwai Chung 100.
Wing On (H.K.) 100.
Wing On (H.K.) 100.

MISCELLANEOUS

China Entertainment 100.
H.K. Construction (Ord.) 100.
(New) 100.
Vibro Piling 100.

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"GREAT HERBERT"	San Francisco	July 10	July 11	San Francisco & Los Angeles
"GRAN VICTORY"	San Francisco	July 11	Aug. 1	San Francisco & Los Angeles
"GRAND PRINCE"	San Francisco	Aug. 2	Aug. 3	San Francisco & Los Angeles
"GRAND PRINCE"	San Francisco	Aug. 10	Aug. 10	San Francisco & Los Angeles

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HARDER TIMES FOR BRITAIN

London, July 5.

The London press says Britain has gone \$600,000,000 down during the fifteen months of Marshall Plan aid.

The press warns Britons that this means still harder times for them in the future. Few dollars may mean less food, petrol, and more raw materials for industry.

Newspapers said the sterling area's gold and dollar reserves have dropped to \$1,500,000,000. They totaled \$2,200,000,000 when the Marshall Plan aid began. A Treasury source said the press estimate of the present reserves is close to the mark.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will tell the House of Commons on Wednesday just what Britain's financial position is.

The gold and dollar reserves represent the working balance for international trade. In reality it is the working capital for the entire sterling area, in which one-fourth of the world's people live.

Financial circles agree all must tighten their belts and boost productivity to earn dollars.

The hardest hit will be Britain. It must import to eat, to keep working and to make products for export to get the money to buy food abroad.

Treasury officials say the answer is to produce more and sell more for dollars. Britain's drive for dollars reaches its crisis at a time when dollar-spending Americans are beginning to look twice at the price tags. Associated Press.

Measures To Help China Exports

San Francisco, July 4.

Measures to help exporters are contained in provisional regulations aimed at promoting the export trade from Communist-held areas in China, according to Peiping Radio tonight.

The regulations provide aid to exporters who find themselves in financial difficulties. This help will be rendered by the Bank of China or other appointed banks.

Priority in obtaining export permits will be accorded to those traders who seek to open new markets abroad. If they need other help that will also be provided.

Export goods will be examined by the authorities to ensure that only the best quality goods overseas. Reuter.

Money Market

US dollars yesterday climbed to HK\$0.35 1/2 at the close. The opening rate was \$0.31, and it was down to \$0.27 before it went up. TT was put through from HK\$0.30 to \$0.34.

Sterling against Australian pound were unchanged at HK\$17.50 and \$14.80 respectively. Plastics opened at HK\$12.10 and closed at \$13 a 100. Ticals were unchanged at HK\$20.30 a 100. NET Guilders opened at HK\$35 a 100 and closed 20 cents down.

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The Shanghai cargo is stored at the sole risk and expense of the Consignee.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hong Kong, July 6, 1949.

Haifa Oil Refinery

London, July 4.

The Minister of State, Mr. Hector McNeill, told Parliament today that the British Government is anxious to see the Haifa oil refinery in action again and will lose no chance to further this.

Mr. Walter Fletcher, Conservative, had asked about the present position of the petrol supplies from Haifa and what representations have been made to Israel.

Mr. McNeill replied that the refinery is not functioning because of the recent hostilities in Palestine and because the pipeline from Iraq is still closed.

Mr. Burnell-Janner, Labour, asked if it is not regrettable that Israel has expressed her willingness that the refinery be used and that the Iraq Government is standing in the way. Reuter.

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are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s godown where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on July 11.

To comply with General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after July 12, 1949, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before July 19, 1949, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

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"President Pierce"	Arr. July 6	Sail July 7
"President McKinley"	Arr. July 10	Sail July 17

TO NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & BOSTON

"President Johnson"	Arr. July 7	Sail July 8
"President Harrison"	Arr. July 11	Sail July 12

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VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, KARACHI, SUEZ, PORT SAID, ALEXANDRIA, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, GENOA, NEW YORK AND BOSTON	Arr. July 10	Sail July 11
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"President Monroe"	Arr. July 26	Sail July 28

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"PIONEER TIDE"	Aug. 16

SAILINGS TO MANILA	July 18
"PIONEER SEA"	July 18
"PIONEER COVE"	July 21
"PIONEER TIDE"	Aug. 17

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"PIONEER LAKE"	Aug. 4	Aug. 6
"PIONEER SEA"	Aug. 7	Aug. 9
"PIONEER COVE"	Sept. 1	Sept. 3
"PIONEER TIDE"		

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SHIP	FROM	DUE
"BENLAWERS"	U.K. via Singapore	In Port
"BENBRACKIE"	do	8th July
"BENDORAN"	do	2nd half July
"BENROCH"	do	2nd half July
"BENVORLICH"	do	1st half August
"BENLAWERS"	do	1st half August
"BENBRACKIE"	do	Mid August

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	LOADING
"BENLAWERS"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull	7th July
"BENBRACKIE"	do	End July
"BENDORAN"	do	2nd half August
"BENROCH"	do	2nd half August
"BENVORLICH"	do	1st half Sept.
"BENLAWERS"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	1st half July
"BENBRACKIE"	do	2nd half July
"BENDORAN"	do	2nd half August
"BENROCH"	do	Early Sept.
"BENVORLICH"	Genoa, London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Hull & Leith	2nd half July

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M.S. "BOUGAINVILLE"	23rd July
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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

ARRIVALS FROM

OWENDO	Europe	12th July
OYONNAX	Europe	25th July
CHAMPOLLION	Marseilles	28th July

SAILING TO

L. de LATOUR	North Africa & Europe	6th July
GIALONG	Haiphong	11th July
OWENDO	North Africa & Europe	15th July
OYONNAX	Japan	27th July
CHAMPOLLION	Marseilles via Manila	30th July
OYONNAX	North Africa & Europe	mid. August

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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE

M.V. TONGHAI	Sails for Keelung & Kobe	9th July
M.V. MINDORO	Sails for Kobe & Yokohama	30th July
M.V. TRAVANCORE		Mid. Aug.

SAILINGS TO EUROPE

M.V. BENGAL		15th July
M.V. MINDORO		20th Aug.

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S.S. "HINSANG"	Sandakan	13th July

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S.S. "WOSANG"	Keelung	9th July
S.S. "TAKSANG"	Calcutta, Straits & Saigon	11th July
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Bengal, 11.30 a.m. for London.
China Transport, 11.30 a.m. for London.
Wingsang, 11.30 a.m. for London.
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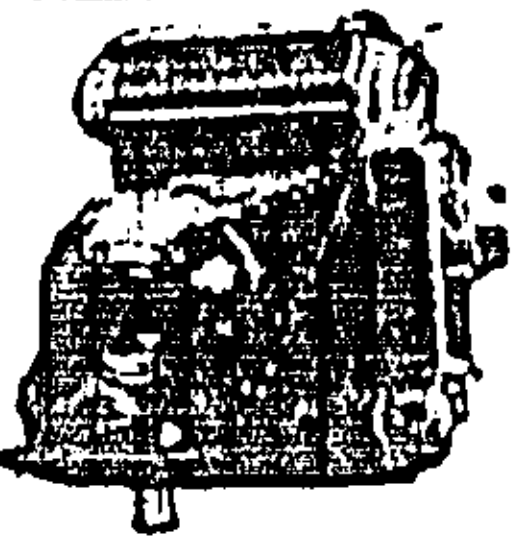
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KEEN COMPETITION IN LEAGUE TENNIS MATCHES

With the Men's "B" Division League nearing the conclusion of its first half, keener competition for League positions was seen in yesterday's games.

Chinese Recreation Club "A" maintained their unbeaten record and second position in table, with a trouncing win of nine sets to nil over USRC.

Crabtree Cricket Club scored a good win over Kowloon "Blue" when they were now placed above them in the League standings.

Kowloon "White", playing some inspired tennis, accounted for Kowloon "Blue" when they were now placed above them in the League standings. The score of the match was 3-0 in sets, 6-1 in games, and 1-0 in points.

The CRC-KCC Ladies' encounter was a closer one, the CRC going under by 2-1, 5-2 in sets, and 1-0 in points.

Men's "B" Division
CCC 6-KT "Blue" 3
R. C. Baker and S. Leonard (CCC) drew with C. Lau and M. Lee 6-6, beat G. Lin and S. P. Tao 6-4, beat K. Lau and P. U. 3-0.

Robert T. and N. Leonard (CCC) beat Lau and Lee 6-1, beat Lin and Tao 6-3, drew with Lau and U. 6-6.
D. Leonard and L. F. Souza (CCC) beat Lau and Lee 4-1 (retired), beat Lin and Tao 6-1, beat Lau and U. 4-0.

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Summer Soccer League

The Summer Season Soccer League conducted under the auspices of the Hong Kong Chinese Football Association is now in full swing and games are being played off every evening.

Through the efforts of Mr. Lo Wai-kee, who is in charge of the Football Section of the Solicitors' Association, prizes for the Champions and Runners-up in the League have been obtained.

These prizes, it is understood, are being donated by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida e Castro, K.C., and Mr. Marcus A. da Silva respectively. The prizes will be exhibited at the Holland Cafe in Kennedy Road as from today.

The Summer Soccer League was started more than 20 years ago, when Dr. Ng Ting-fong put up a cup for competition. The League was then conducted by the Chinese AA and the affairs of the League were managed by Mr. Au Kit-sang.

No games were played during the Japanese Occupation, but after the re-occupation, the League was commenced again and its affairs managed by the HKFA.

The aim of the League is to train up new Chinese players and in consequence, no player who has taken part in First Division League games in the Hong Kong Football League is eligible for the Summer League. Only Junior Division players are eligible.

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Bradshaw Provides Last Minute Thrill In British Golf Tourney

Sandwich Kent, July 4. A brilliant 67 over the Sandwich course by Harry Bradshaw, the 26-year-old Irish professional, provided a last minute thrill to a rather featureless day's golf in the first qualifying round of the British Open championship today.

The qualifying round was played over the sun drenched Sandwich and the nearby Deal courses. The final 18 holes of the test to qualify 100 players for the championship proper will be decided tomorrow when the players switch courses.

Bradshaw led by two strokes from Bobby Locke, South African favourite for the title, Johnny Bulla, of the United States, and Ken Bousfield, Britain's most promising young golfer.

Bradshaw, who has never won a major golfing success in England, did the first nine holes of the Sandwich course in a magnificent 32 and was home in 35, falling by two strokes to equal the course record set up 15 years ago by the retired Open champion, Henry Cotton.

Bousfield had set the pace for most of the day at Sandwich with 69. He had five birdies in his first half of 34.

Overseas players completely dominated the play at Deal, where Locke and Bulla shared the lead with 69. Antonio Cerdas (Argentina), Frank Strannahan, the American amateur, and Britain's Max Faulkner were just behind them on the 71 mark.

Generally speaking the scoring on both courses was unexpectedly high. Conditions could scarcely have been more easy, but may be the almost tropical heat and the bone-hard driving fairways robbed the majority of players of any desire to do more than achieve a safe qualifying score.

Locke was never "all out," but gave a splendid exhibition of golf and fully revealed the strength of the challenge he will be making for the title.

One could not but feel that Locke himself feels the challenge of Bulla more than that of anyone in the field and his unspoken opinion was given justification when Bulla although never having seen Deal before went round the testing course in 69, "guided" by his caddy.—Reuter.

Lord's, London, July 4. Cambridge completely outplayed Oxford in the first two days of their annual cricket match at Lord's. When stumps were drawn today, Cambridge needed 156 runs to avoid an innings defeat, with all their wickets in hand.

In reply to Cambridge's first innings score of 359, Oxford could only follow on 190 runs behind.

One of Oxford's three South Africans, Hofmeyr, gave a defensive display reminiscent of his fellow countryman, Bruce Mitchell.

Rarely attempting a scoring stroke, he carried his bat through the first innings for 64 and then played through the remaining 63 minutes. Altogether he batted for five hours 10 minutes for a total of 81 runs, which included three fours.

Oxford never looked like the team which had beaten New Zealand, Worcestershire and Middlesex this season. They seemed entirely unsettled by their erratic bowling of Saturday and allowed Cambridge to seize the initiative.

Wait, a tall fair-headed medium pace bowler, pulling Bobbey and getting him brilliantly caught at slip mid-on.

The scoreboard at the end of the second day's play was: Cambridge, 1st innings 359; Oxford, 1st innings 190; Wait, 64; Hofmeyr, not out 14; B. Boobey, 6; Wait, 6; C. E. Winn, 6; Doggart, 6; C. Van Ryneveld, 6; D. B. Carr, 6; Burnett, 6; A. H. Kardar, 6; Poplewell, 6; C. R. Rudd, 6; Hall, 6; Whitcombe, 6; Poplewell, 6; W. Warr, 6; Chesterton, 6; Warr, 6; Wrigley, 6; Extras, 6.

Total (for no wks.) 34
Oxford, 2nd innings 17; Hofmeyr, not out 14; Boobey, not out 14; Extras, 3.
Total (for no wks.) 34
Reuter.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Melbourne, July 4. The Lawn Tennis Association of Australia has announced that Geoff Brown, a Wimbledon semi-finalist, would not be asked to join the Australian Davis Cup team, which meets Canada at Montreal on July 22.—Reuter.

Washington, July 4. Sam Sneed today won the Washington Star Open Golf tournament with a 70 for a total of 272, 10 strokes under par for the 72 holes.

In second place was Cary Midgloff, the National champion, who also had a 70 for 27.—Associated Press.

St. Malo, July 4. Ferdinand Kubler of Switzerland today won the fifth lap of the Tour de France—the 203 Kilometers from Rouen to St. Malo.

Bernard Gauthier of the French National team was second and Joseph Taccu of the Ile de France team third.

Jacques Marinelli of France was fourth, Marcel Dupont of the Belgian Eagles fifth.

The time was eight hours 27 minutes 13 seconds.—Associated Press.

Yachting Jottings
(BY "RUBBINGSTRAKE")

The Royal Navy hopes to be at home to the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Sunday, August 7 when the Challenge Shield newly presented by the RNSA will be completed for.

Further details will be announced later.

A sub-committee was recently appointed to consider a revised system of points scoring and have now produced their proposals. In anticipation of approval by the sailing committee it is being applied to all current series of the club classes and is of course available to the others if they wish. Details will be posted in the club.

In outline the system lays down a scale of points for a race of 20 or more starters ranging from 1,000 for the winner down to zero for the 20th. For less than 20 starters the winners are slightly reduced being 995 for 19, 951 for 18 and 715 for 17.

Using the new system, the following gives the present state of the dinghy and star summer series. Only helmsmen with two or more starts are shown, and the actual number being given by figures in brackets.

Dinghies—1st, Howell, 4200 (6); 2nd, Corbett, 2998 (4); 3rd, Evans, 2500 (6); 4th, Palfreyman, 2417 (4); 5th, Dubois, 2372 (4); 6th, Robertson, 1752 (3); 7th, Moseby, 1621 (3); 8th, Harrison, 1518 (4); 9th, Furrer, 1249 (3); 10th, Laufer, 1218 (3); 11th, Lloyd, 1200 (2); 12th, Dewe, 1103 (2); 13th, Miss Lansbert, 882 (2); 14th, Darby, 678 (3); 15th, Barratt, 494 (2).

Stars—1st, Janion, 2207 (4); 2nd, Furrer, 2099 (1); 3rd, Yourell, 1169 (3); 4th, Mallorie, 1158 (2); 5th, Howell, 932 (3); 6th, Nixon, 859 (2); 7th, Heerdein, 690 (2).

Results over the last week—TUESDAY, JUNE 28
Dinghies (7th Series Race) (Points in brackets)—1st, Dubois, 0.58.55 (951); 2nd, Corbett, 0.42.40 (853); 3rd, Palfreyman, 0.42.40 (853); 4th, Howell, 0.42.40 (853); 5th, Baker, 0.42.40 (853); 6th, Furrer, 0.42.40 (853); 7th, Janion, 0.42.40 (853); 8th, Jupp, 0.42.40 (853); 9th, Evans, 0.42.40 (853); 10th, Laufer, 0.42.40 (853); 11th, Miss P. Loseby, 0.54.07 (353); 12th, Miss Lansbert, 0.55.38 (308); 13th, Miss Darby, 0.55.15 (261); 14th, Barratt, 0.55.15 (261); 15th, Barratt, 0.55.15 (261).

THURSDAY, JUNE 30
Dinghies (8th Series Race)—1st, Dubois, 0.51.30 (800); 2nd, Darby, 0.51.30 (800); 3rd, Howell, 0.51.30 (800); 4th, Ortuay, 0.51.30 (800); 5th, Weiss, 0.51.30 (800); 6th, Weiss, 0.51.30 (800); 7th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 8th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 9th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 10th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 11th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 12th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 13th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 14th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800); 15th, Robinson, 0.51.30 (800).

SATURDAY, JULY 2
Dinghies (9th Series Race)—1st, Yourell, 1.17.30 (820); 2nd, Miss P. Loseby, 1.17.30 (820); 3rd, Miss P. Loseby, 1.17.30 (820); 4th, Howell, 1.17.30 (820); 5th, Corbett, 1.17.30 (820); 6th, Harrison, 1.17.30 (820); 7th, Lloyd, 1.17.30 (820); 8th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 9th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 10th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 11th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 12th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 13th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 14th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820); 15th, Darby, 1.17.30 (820).

Worcestershire Increase Chances Of Taking Lead

London, July 4. Worcestershire, now lying third, with 84 points, increased their chances of taking the lead in the County cricket championship race at the end of the current programme, by beating Northamptonshire at Kettering today.

Of the joint leaders, Middlesex and Yorkshire, who have 88 points, the latter are in a strong position for a win over Surrey, but Middlesex have lost first innings' points to Leicestershire and are 136 runs behind with nine second innings wickets standing.

Yorkshire need 161 with all their second innings wickets standing. Worcestershire, showing much better all round form than Northamptonshire, had little difficulty in winning inside two days and so returning to the head of the table. The all-splash attack of Jenkins, Howarth and Jackson was too much for the Northants batsmen, apart from Oldfield.

Worcestershire obtained their biggest victory of the season when they defeated Somerset by an innings and 73 runs five minutes after claiming the extra half hour at Birmingham. In doing so they were indebted to Brian Walton, who with 111 not out in three hours 55 minutes, scored his maiden century in first class cricket and shared in two century stands. He hit 13 fours.

When Somerset batted a second time, only Gimblett could stand up to the accurate bowling. He hit 12 fours during his stay of 70 minutes.

Ernie Close, Yorkshire's 18-year-old all-rounder, put his County in a winning position at Bradford, where after scoring 69 out of 88, he bowled his off-spinners so effectively that he claimed six Surrey wickets for 87. Yorkshire have all tomorrow to score 161 for victory. Fisklock, 75 minutes, was the only batsman to show any confidence against Close, whose match analysis was nine for 147.

Close Of Play
The close of play scores were: At Kettering: Worcestershire beat Northamptonshire by an innings and 10 runs. Northants 98 and 115 (Oldfield 50, Jenkins 5 for 31, Howarth 3 for 39); Worcester 227 (Jenkins 68, Bird 68, Broderick 6 for 60).
At Worthing: Sussex 245 and 62 for 2; Derbyshire 416 (Smith 57, Johnson 77, Rhodes 68, Slinn 68).

At Manchester: Glamorgan 211 and 25 for none; Lancashire 371 (Place 108, Wooler 5 for 34).
At Nottingham: Hampshire 291 (Dawson 168 not out, Jesson 5 for 71); Northants 308 for 5, declared (Jewell 64, Simpson 54, Winrow 65 not out, Stocks 61).
At Leicester: Middlesex 333 and 61 for one; Leicestershire 475 for 8, declared (Berry 70, Tompkin 94, Jackson 145, Walsh 87).

Monday's Play
Bristol, July 4. Martin Donnelly, the New Zealand left-hander, played a remarkable innings in giving his side a lead of 20 against Gloucestershire here today.

In reply to the County's first innings total of 232, the tourists were all out for 252. By the close of play Gloucestershire were 124 for six wickets in the second innings.

While his colleagues fell to spin deliveries of Tom Goddard and Cecil Cook, Donnelly, exercised caution, but he cast aside all restraint when the last man came in and the tourists were still 25 runs behind. Donnelly logged the bowling and with the help of seven fours, scored all but one—on an extra of the 45 runs added in 25 minutes by the ten batsmen. Altogether in his innings of just 25 minutes and a half hour, Donnelly, mainly by drives and pulls, hit ten boundaries.

Paves Way
The New Zealand captain, Hadlee, paved the way for Donnelly's onslaught with a display of quick-footed driving, which brought him a six and five fours, but the other batsmen were often bewildered by the guile of Goddard's off-breaks and the left-arm leg spinners of Cook.

These two bowled throughout the innings of four and a quarter hours and well deserved their five wickets apiece. Gloucestershire started well in their second innings, but during the tea interval rain fell, which delayed the resumption for over half an hour and then batsmen found conditions difficult against the spin bowlers on a drying pitch.

After the opening pair had put on 50, the County lost five more wickets for 65 and at the close were 104 in front with four wickets to fall.

Rabone, who has proved himself one of the best all-rounders in the game, had taken four second innings wickets for 62 by the time play ended.—Reuter.

D. Monument, G. Stokoe, W. Cowie, J. Fraser (Skipper), A. Boulton, T. Waller, J. Tibble, J. Hemmery (Skipper), J. Tibble, J. A. Wale, A. A. Dand, J. Tindall (Skipper), and E. Cato, J. Elliot, V. Ramsey and R. Bailey (Skipper).

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Thailand To Participate In Delhi Games

Bangkok, July 4. Thailand will send a track and field team to take part in the Asian Athletic Federation Games in Delhi, India in 1950.

Phya Chidarak, deputy Minister of Interior, said athletes in inter-school and public sports competition will be invited to participate in tryouts for the Delhi Games. Provincial towns will be invited to send competitors to Bangkok. The government will pay expenses.

The Olympic Games Association of Thailand is hoping to promote sufficient interest in competitive sports so that the country may be represented in the 1952 World Olympic Games in Helsinki, Finland.—Associated Press.

PI GIRLS WIN CAGE GAME

The Black & White Girls' basketball team of Manila beat the combined Chinese and Chinese Actors by 20 to 20 in a basketball game played at the South China Stadium, Caroline Hill last night.